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Elected Town Officers.

Moderator.

Daniel F. Knowlton.

Selectmen.

George A. R. Horton (Deceased).
Allen H. Cole, Chairman.

John R. Merritt.
Arthur C. Widger.

Town Clerk.

Milton D. Porter.

Treasurer.

Benjamin O. Honors.

Collector of Taxes.

George T. Till.

Auditors.

Stuart P. Ellis, Chairman.

Harry E. Cahoon.

Nathaniel F. Bartlett.

Assessors

Edward A. Maxfield, Chairman .

Term expires 1908

John B. Earp, Clerk . . .

" " 1907

Gilbert Delano

" " 1909

School Committee.

Eleanor G. Holden, Chairman . . .

Term expires 1907

S. Perry Congdon

" " 1908

Arthur W. Stubbs

" " 1909

Overseers of Poor.

Joseph F. Crowell, Chairman	.	.	Term expires 1907
Thomas B. P. Curtis	.	.	" " 1908
Edmund Russell	.	.	" " 1909

Water Commissioners.

William H. Bates, Chairman	.	.	Term expires 1908
Charles S. Haskell	.	.	" " 1907
Samuel M. Kehoe	.	.	" " 1909

Public Library Trustees.

Elizabeth J. Hadley, Chairman	.	.	Term expires 1909
Frank E. Ingalls	.	.	" " 1908
Frank F. Stanley	.	.	" " 1907

Park Commissioners.

Fred C. Marsh, Chairman	.	.	Term expires 1907
John J. Blaney	.	.	" " 1909
Elias G. Hodgkins	.	.	" " 1908

Board of Health.

Dr. Frank B. Stratton, Chairman	.	.	Term expires 1908
Michael Haley	.	.	" " 1907
Jasper H. Stone	.	.	" " 1909

Surveyor of Highways.

Michael J. Ryan.

Constables.

William H. Carroll.

Richard G. Gilley.

Hazen W. Tyler.

Sewer Commissioners.

Aaron R. Bunting, Chairman	.	.	Term expires 1907
Henry B. Sprague	.	.	" " 1908
Edward H. Curtis	.	.	" " 1909

Tree Warden.

George Newhall.

Appointed Town Officers.

Secretary of Selectmen.

Charles G. Rowell.

Town Counsel.

William H. Niles.

Librarian of Public Library.

Miss S. L. Honors.

Assistant Librarians.

Herbert Blaney.

Raymond Till.

Engineers Fire Department.

George P. Cahoon	.	.	.	.	.	Chief
George H. Lampard	.	.	.	.	.	1st Assistant
Frank L. Chapman	.	.	.	.	.	2nd Assistant

Forest Fire Wardens.

George P. Cahoon.

George H. Lampard.

Frank L. Chapman.

Regular Police.

Charles H. Dunlap, Chief.

Henry C. Pedrick.

Seth C. Kendrick.

Charles Connell.

Joseph D. Spinney

Adelbert S. Hammond.

Keeper of Lockup.

Charles H. Dunlap.

Constables.

Charles H. Dunlap.
Charles Connell.
Adelbert S. Hammond.

Joseph D. Spinney.
Henry C. Pedrick.
Seth C. Kendrick.

Superintendent of Cemetery.

James P. M. S. Pitman.

Superintendent of Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.

Michael Haley, (resigned.)

Richard G. Gilley.

Care of Monument Lot.

Joseph W. Glass.

Inspector of Animals.

Samuel A. Spaulding.

Milk Inspector.

George C. Webster.

Town Weigher.

Enoch S. Eastman.

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.

Fred H. Eastman.

Edgar F. Davis.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Alfred G. Watts.

Secretary of the Overseers of the Poor.

Mrs. L. E. Kendrick.

Secretary of the Board of Health.

W. R. Patten.

Health Officer.

Martin E. Nies.

Janitor and Agent Town Hall.

Eben S. Martin.

Superintendent of Sewers.

Aaron R. Bunting.

Clerk of Sewer Commissioners.

George T. Till.

Field Driver.

Richard G. Gilley.

Truant Officer.

Richard G. Gilley.

Dog Officer.

Richard G. Gilley.

Registrar of Voters, three years.

David W. Nesbett, (Dem.)

Fence Viewers.

Peleg Gardner.

William J. Waters.

Thomas Thumith.

Superintendent of Moth Work.

George Newhall.

Election Officers, March 19, 1906.

Special Election Officer, March 19, 1906.

James H. Moulton	Democrat
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Inspectioners of Election, March 19, 1906.

John W. Thurston	Democrat
James L. Taylor	Republican

Deputy Inspectors of Election, March 19, 1906.

Hulbert W. Grant	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
John Mather	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat

Tellers of Election, March 19, 1906.

Thomas Thumith	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Alfred F. Pyne	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Frank V. Porter	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Sidney T. Doane	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Freeman A. Baker	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Herbert W. Webster	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Frank D. Thurston	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Wm. H. Collins	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Albert A. Stone	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Willis C. Paul	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Charles W. Carroll	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Arthur C. Eaton	Democrat

Special Election Officer, April 28, 1906.

James H. Moulton	Democrat
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Inspectors of Election, April 28, 1906.

David W. Nesbett	Democrat
Freeman A. Baker	Republican

Deputy Inspectors of Election, April 28, 1906.

Alfred G. Watts	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Willis C. Paul	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat

Tellers for Special Election, April 28, 1906.

Frank V. Porter	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Sidney T. Doane	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Frank D. Thurston	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Charles W. Carroll	Democrat

Special Election Officer, November 6, 1906.

James H. Moulton	Democrat
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Inspectors of Elections, November 6, 1906.

Willis C. Paul	Democrat
Fred C. Marsh	Republican

Deputy Inspectors of Election, November 6, 1906.

William J. Waters	Republican
Abram G. Stone	Democrat

Tellers of Election, November 6, 1906.

Richard E. Melzard	Republican
Frank V. Porter	Republican
Herbert W. Webster	Republican
Lyndon B. Jeffers	Republican
Freeman A. Baker	Republican
Francis S. Oliver	Republican
Albert A. Stone	Democrat
John T. Brennan	Democrat
John T. McDermott	Democrat
Joseph P. Nies	Democrat
Sidney M. Shattuck	Democrat
Arthur C. Eaton	Democrat

Special Police.

Edward A. Smith.	Charles Rodrick.
Hazen W. Tyler.	Eben S. Martin.
Richard G. Gilley.	George R. Hussey.
J. P. M. S. Pitman.	Joseph W. Glass.
Lemuel W. Pickard.	Charles Q. Lowd.
Louis F. Amazeen.	Elias G. Hodgkins
Patrick Cryan.	George H. Reed.
Edwin G. Spaulding.	John C. Thomas.
Hulbert W. Grant.	Elmer Willis.
John C. Mahan	Joseph A. Horton.
Frank Griffin	Frank E. Powers.
George D. R. Durkee.	Horace W. Wardwell.
William D. Hutt.	J. Frank Moore.
William R. Blaney	William C. McNamara
Ulysses M. Corson.	Mathew McIsaac.

Schedule of Public Property.

Miscellaneous.

Swampscott Water Works . . .	\$165,649 55
Town Hall and land . . .	23,000 00
Public Library . . .	5,000 00
Soldiers' Monument . . .	3,000 00
Hay scales . . .	200 00
Portable safe . . .	100 00
Steel box . . .	10 00
Piano . . .	475 00
Standard weights and measures .	100 00
Treasurer's safe . . .	295 00
Town Clerk's safe . . .	75 00
Collector's safe . . .	50 00
Morris land . . .	2,800 00
	<hr/> \$180,754 55

School Department.

Phillips School and land . . .	\$57,000 00
Redington Street School and land .	5,000 00
Beach School and land . . .	4,000 00
Pine Street School and land . . .	4,500 00
Essex Street School and land . . .	8,000 00
Farm School and land . . .	2,000 00
Land, Essex street, opp. Cemetery .	300 00
Chemical Laboratory . . .	1,900 00
Laboratory supplies . . .	400 00
School furniture . . .	3,400 00
School supplies . . .	800 00
Clarke School and land . . .	33,000 00
	<hr/> \$120,300 00

Cemetery Department.

Receiving tomb	\$2,000 00
Old tomb	20 00
House	500 00
Implements	50 00
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	\$2,570 00

Police Department.

Police Station and fixtures	\$3,195 00
Nine revolvers	45 00
Forty-eight badges	55 00
Ten handcuffs	40 75
Ten twisters	10 00
Ten billies	10 00
Seventeen helmets	30 00
One gun	20 00
One cap	3 00
Six belts and clubs	7 50
Six lanterns	3 50
Five chairs	7 50
One table	3 50
One gas heater	3 00
One Public Statute	4 25
Thirty-two dozen buttons	19 00
One stop watch	7 00
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	\$3,464 00

Fire Department.

Engine house, New Ocean street	\$6,750 00	
Land and storage building	1,500 00	
Mountain Park hose house and land	500 00	
Steam fire engine	3,600 00	
Hose wagon	500 00	
Ladder truck with 192 feet of ladders,	400 00	
Six coal baskets, 5 hydrant wrenches	19 00	
One supply wagon	50 00	2 300 00
One army coat	2 50	
Twenty-three alarm boxes	1,760 00	80
Stable tools	25 00	
Fire-alarm bell, Town Hall	800 00	
Two fire-alarm strikers, one at Town Hall, one at Congregational Church	550 00	8 25 00
Four gongs	175 00	
Tape register	35 00	25
Four hand chemicals	80 00	40
Two steam whistles	500 00	
Eight horses	1,625 00	
Two sets double harness	80 00	
Two sets lead harness	20 00	
Three sets double harness	450 00	
One single harness	50 00	
One three-horse hitch	150 00	
Eight horse blankets, in good order	40 00	
Robe	3 00	
Stable blanket	4 00	
Furniture and bedding	75 00	
Starigal battery and switch board	800 00	
Five play pipes	100 00	
Twenty-four spanners	6 00	
Two wagon jacks	6 50	
Eight lanterns	5 00	
Thirty-one rubber coats	92 00	

Amount carried forward,\$20,753 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$20,753 00
Canvas life net, new	25 00
Canvas life net, old	5 00
Life sheet	35 00
One shut-off nozzle	15 00
One shut-off gate	20 00
One plaster hook	3 00
Thirty-two badges	24 00
One repeater	300 00
Two indicators	225 00
Three iron bars	10 00
One patent horse collar	15 00
Old ladders	20 00
Eighteen feet soft suction	12 00
One heater for steamer	25 00
One pump	20 00
One hydrant pump	6 00
Eighty-six hydrants	2,150 00
One light wagon	50 00
Hose pump	95 00

Chemical House, Phillips' Beach.

Chemical House and land	8,400 00
One chemical engine	2,225 00
Two hand chemicals	50 00
One indicator	90 00
One gong	45 00
Two horses	450 00
One set double harnesses	90 00
One three-horse hitch	150 00
Three horse blankets	18 00
Furniture and bedding	75 00
Hose reel and 600 feet hose, one play- pipe	220 00
Supplies	160 00

<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$35,781 00
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Amount brought forward, \$35,781 00

Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench
and two spanners at John Palmer's
stable, Humphrey street 200 00

Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench
and two spanners at Lynn & Boston
Railway stables, Essex street 200 00

Hose reel and 400 feet hose, wrench,
two spanners, one axe, at Mountain
Park Hose House. 250 00

Hose reel and 400 feet hose, one wrench
two spanners at Lincoln House 250 00

Two hundred and fifty feet hose, wrench
and two spanners at Evans & Cole's
stable, Orient street 125 00

Twenty-seven hundred feet cotton hose,
rubber-lined, two and one-half inch, 1,350 00

————— \$38,156 00

Highway Department.

Road roller	\$3,250 00	
Stone crusher plant	3,600 00	
Storage building	700 00	
Gravel bank, Marblehead	500 00	
Storage building, New Ocean street,	400 00	
Land with same	400 00	
Three street watering carts	750 00	
Victor road machine	150 00	
Six snow ploughs	235 00	
Tool house	25 00	
Two tool boxes	10 00	
Five horse collars	15 00	
One cart harness	15 00	
One four-wheel tip-cart	156 00	
One-horse tip-cart	70 00	
One two-horse roller	225 00	
Tools	325 00	
One hundred tons crushed stone	125 00	
Supplies for crusher and roller	75 00	
Horse and buggy	250 00	
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		\$11,276 00

Assessors' Department.

Plans and maps	\$3,000 00	
Safe	90 00	
Desk	25 00	
Table	25 00	
Chairs	51 00	
Cabinet and cards	55 00	
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		\$3,246 00

Health Department.

Twenty-one generators	\$50 00
One wheelbarrow	2 00
One dory	15 00
One pair oars	1 00
Two lanterns	1 50
Four rakes	1 20
Three forks	1 35
One trowel	1 00
Four garbage pails	5 00
Three garbage barrels	9 00
New Contagious Hospital	2,032 00
Household Goods at Hospital	186 22
Carriage	50 00
Carriage shed	84 00
Office furniture (Town Hall)	141 00
Flash light	3 00
Atlas	25 00
Safe	65 00
Letter press	10 00
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	\$2,683 27

Sewer Department

Pumping station	\$6,862 64
Pumping plant	10,000 00
Land at station	1,144 63
Office furniture and fixtures	278 32
Material on hand	887 49
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	\$19,173 08

Summary.

Miscellaneous	\$180,754 55
School Department	120,300 00
Cemetery Department	2,570 00
Police Department	3,464 00
Fire Department	38,156 00
Highway Department	11,276 00
Assessors' Department	3,246 00
Health Department	2,683 27
Sewer Department	19,173 08
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Total	\$381,622 90

Records of the Town Clerk.

Annual Town Meeting, March 19, 1906.

TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday, the nineteenth day of March, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a Board of Selectmen for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

To choose a Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the School Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for the year ensuing.

To choose one Overseer of the Poor for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose a Surveyor of Highways for the year ensuing.

To choose three Constables for the year ensuing.

To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a Park Commissioner for two (2) years.

To choose a Water Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a Sewer Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a Tree Warden for the year ensuing.

All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 3, To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the questions: Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating Liquors in this Town.

ART. 4. To hear and act upon the reports of the Auditing Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of Cemetery, the Board of Health, the Chief of Police, the Milk Inspector, the Committee on Street Lights, the Water Commissioners, the Surveyor of Highways, the Inspector of Cattle, Provisions, etc., the Park Commissioners, the Sewer Commissioners, the Tree Warden the Board of Assessors and the Committee on Water Meters.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will accept the list of names for Jurors, as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 9. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes, and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars to be placed in the hands of James L. Bates Post 118, G. A. R., towards defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

ART. 12. To see what action the Town will take in determining how money shall be raised to pay for permanent improvements.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will place an incandescent electric light at the upper end of Woodland avenue near No. 20 of said avenue and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will place an incandescent electric light on the westerly side of Woodbine avenue at the corner opposite the estate of Weston K. Lewis, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will place an incandescent electric light at the foot of the Iron Steps, leading from Ingalls terrace to Rockland street and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will place an incandescent electric light at a point near Stacy's Brook on New Ocean street and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will place an incandescent electric light on Grant road, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will place an electric light at the junction of Walker and Outlook roads, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will build a sewer on Franklin avenue and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will extend the sewerage system through Outlook road, a portion of Walker road, connecting with sewer at Grant road, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will extend the sewerage system through Highland street by way of Redington street and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will extend the sewer on Paradise Road, a distance of about two hundred (200) feet, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will extend the sewerage system through Rockland street about two hundred (200) feet from the present end opposite the premises of S. E. Bailey, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 24. To hear and act upon the report of the Sewer Commissioners in regard to sewers in the territory lying north of the Boston & Maine Railroad, said report being printed in the Town Report and a plan showing the proposed routes being filed with the Town Clerk, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to include in Section 1, for the construction of particular sewers and connecting drains, that portion of Middlesex avenue, lying between Ellis Road and Norfolk avenue, also Grant Road, and instruct the Sewer Commissioner to assess in the same manner and at the same prices, all sewer connections on the above named streets in accordance with the average cost before determined upon in Section 1, as voted by the Town in a meeting held July 22, 1903.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will construct a stone crossing across Middlesex avenue at the head of Berkshire street and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will extend the water main in Pleasant street, a distance of five hundred and twenty-five (525) feet, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will construct a landing pier at the Park Beach and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will vote to charge for all water used in the Town at a rate per thousand gallons, said rate to be charged by the Water Commissioners of the Town, and that meters for the measurement of all water used, be purchased, owned, and installed by the Town, and that said Water Commissioners be authorized to purchase and install said meters, and to act upon any and all other matters incidental to the installation of said meters and the use of the same, and the method and rate of charging for water supplied through such meters.

ART. 30 To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, or any other sum which may be necessary not exceeding the sum of ten thousand dollars, for the purchasing and installing of water meters mentioned in Article 29, and if so to determine whether the same shall be borrowed upon the

bonds or notes of the Town, and if borrowed on the bonds or notes of the Town, to fix the time of payment thereof and the rate of interest thereon, and to act upon any and all other matters necessary to enable the Town to borrow said money and to issue said bonds or notes.

ART. 31. To see what action the Town will take toward abating the nuisance now existing on Danvers street as petitioned for.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will construct a concrete sidewalk adjacent to the play-ground on Ellis Road, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will re-surface Grant Road and construct sidewalks for same, the outside boundary lines of which shall be coincident with those of said road as shown by plan on file at the office of the Town Clerk, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will place a Fire Alarm Box on the electric light pole at the terminus of Outlook Road, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 35. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to be expended during the coming year in the construction of continuous sidewalks in the Town, covered with brick, concrete or other appropriate material, excepting gravel and wood, or to see what other action will be taken thereon, as petitioned for.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one hundred and three dollars and forty-five cents to pay bill for rent due Michael Haley.

ART. 37. To see if the Town will grant to Post 118, G. A. R. the exclusive use of the Pine street School-house from the close of the current school year, and so long as said Post shall have a corporate existence and shall hold stated meetings.

ART. 38. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars to put said school-house (Art. 37) in suitable condition for such occupation, the money to be expended under the direction of a committee to consist of the Chairman of the Selectmen, the Post Commander, and one citizen to be named by the Moderator.

ART. 39. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for warming and lighting said school building (Art. 37) for one year.

ART. 40. To see what action the Town will take in granting a Saturday half-holiday with pay to all employees of the Highway, Sewer, Water, Health and Tree Warden Departments.

ART. 41. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Moderator annually, beginning in 1907, and change the Town By-Laws in accord therewith.

ART. 42. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty-one hundred dollars for Moth Work, as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ART. 43. To see if the town will accept Essex avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 44. To see if the Town will accept Woodland avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money for the same, also to change the name to Melvin avenue.

ART. 45. To see if the Town will extend the sewerage system to No. 674 Humphrey street and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 46. To vote "Yes" or "No" upon the question "Shall the Town appropriate the money, and the Selectmen pay the claim of A. O. Cahoon as authorized by the Act of the Legislature of 1906."

The polls to be closed at sunset.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fifth day of March, in the year nineteen hundred and six.

GEORGE A. R. HORTON,
MARTIN L. QUINN,
ALLEN H. COLE,

Selectmen of Swampscott.

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

Return on the Warrant.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, depots, post offices and ten other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Saturday, the tenth day of March, 1906. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock A. M. by the Town Clerk, Daniel F. Knowlton was elected Moderator, the following were qualified by the Clerk to act as election officers : Special, James

H. Moulton; Ballot Clerks, James L. Taylor (Rep.), and J. William Thurston (Dem.); Tellers, William H. Webster, Freeman A. Baker, Frank V. Porter, Sidney T. Doane, Alfred F. Pyne, Thomas Thumith (Reps.), Willis C. Paul, Albert A. Stone, William H. Collins, Charles W. Carroll, Frank D. Thurston and Arthur C. Eaton (Dem.)

The polls closed at 5.55 P. M., 941 general and 10 special ballots having been cast.

At 7.05 P. M. the vote was declared as follows :

For Selectmen—James F. Caton, 385; Allen H. Cole, 646, elected; George A. R. Horton, 448, elected; John R. Merritt, 426; Arthur C. Widger, 527, elected; blanks, 391.

For Town Clerk—Milton D. Porter, 750, elected; blanks, 190.

For Treasurer—Benjamin O. Honors, 760, elected; blanks, 181.

For Collector of Taxes—George T. Till, 738, elected; blanks, 203.

For Assessor for three years—Isaac H. Andrews, 313; Gilbert Delano, 363, elected; William J. Waters, 161; blanks, 104.

For School Committee for three years—Sidney E. Bailey, 268; Enoch S. Eastman, 190; Arthur W. Stubbs, 325, elected; blanks, 168.

For Sewer Commissioner for three years—Edward H. Curtis, 547, elected; Martin L. Quinn, 363; blanks, 31.

For Park Commissioner for three years—John J. Blaney, 509, elected; William Granger, 164; Martin E. Nies, 172; blanks, 96.

For Park Commissioner for two years—Elias G. Hodgkins, 454, elected; Clarence B. Humphrey, 273; blanks, 214.

For Water Commissioner for three years—Samuel M. Kehoe, 613, elected; Edward H. Kitfield, 273; blanks, 55.

For Board of Health for three years—Richard P. Horton, 170; Edwin G. Spaulding, 74; Jasper H. Stone, 364, elected; George C. Webster, 267; blanks, 66.

For Overseer of Poor for three years—Charles A. Blanchard, 376; Edmund Russell, 440, elected; blanks, 125.

For Surveyor of Highways—Michael J. Ryan, 692, elected; blanks, 249.

For Trustee of Public Library for three years—Elizabeth J. Hadley, 612, elected; blanks, 329.

For Auditors—Nathaniel F. Bartlett, 520, elected; Harry E. Cahoon, 488, elected; Stuart P. Ellis, 416, elected; George R. Hussey, 407; Walter L. J. Melvin, 343; blanks, 649.

For Tree Warden—L. Herbert Cahoon, 390; George Newhall, 500, elected; blanks, 51.

For Constables—William H. Carroll, 466, elected; Richard G. Gilley, 576, elected; Hazen W. Tyler, 17, elected; scattering, 34; blanks, 1,730.

License Question—No, 679; yes, 148; blanks, 114.

Claim of A. O. Cahoon—Yes, 273; no, 511; blanks, 157.

At 7.10 P. M., adjourned to to-morrow, Tuesday evening, at 7.45 o'clock.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, March 20, 1906.

Meeting called to order at 7.45 P. M. by the Moderator, Records of last meeting read and declared approved, Article 8 taken up.

ART. 8. It was unanimously voted, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to, and for the use of the Town, in anticipation of the taxes of the present year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to \$60,000, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, and any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the Town, under this vote, shall be paid from the taxes of the present year.

Finance Committee.

On motion, it was voted that a Committee, to be known as the Finance Committee, consisting of the following named gentlemen, shall be and is hereby appointed :

Allan H. Cole,
Arthur C. Widger,
G. A. R. Horton,
Henry B. Sprague,

Benjamin G. Ingalls,
Robert B. Wardwell,
Wilmot R. Hastings,
Weston K. Lewis;

that it shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and make recommendations, concerning all articles and recommendations of the Town Warrant, relating to the raising or appropriation of money for the use of the Town; that all recommendations and Articles in the Warrant, calling for an appropriation of money be and hereby are referred to the said Committee; that this Committee shall report its recommendations at an adjourned Town Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 10, 1906.

Voted, To accept all Reports not containing recommendations.

Voted, That the recommendation of the Auditors, closing the books of the several departments on Friday, Feb. 22, 1907 be accepted, and that part referring to the Salary of the tax Collector be referred to the Finance Committee.

Voted, On motion, that the Auditor's report be recommitted for revision, and that a Committee of three to consist of Benjamin G. Ingalls, Benjamin O. Honors, and P. F. Munsey, be appointed to consider the matter of employing an expert accountant to start a system of book-keeping and auditing, and report their recommendations at an adjourned Meeting, and if any money is needed to draw on the Selectmen, Mr. B. G. Ingalls having declined to serve on this Committee, Mr. E. E. Call was appointed in his stead.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to revise the By-Laws, they to report at the adjourned Meeting.

Voted, That the Selectmen, and the Highway Surveyor be a Committee to report to the Finance Committee on the condition and needs of the Danvers street bridge.

Voted, That the recommendations of the Selectmen on Street improvements be referred to the Surveyor of Highways and Selectmen to report to the Finance Committee.

Voted, That the Selectmen's recommendations relating to sidewalks, be laid upon the table, to be considered with Article 35.

Voted, To adopt the recommendations of the Sewer Commissioners and that the sum of \$3,400, be taken from money now in the treasury, accruing from Sewer Assessments, to pay for the third pump now being installed at the Sewer Pumping Station.

Voted, To adopt the last Section of the Sewer Commissioners' Report.

Voted, To adopt the Report of the School Committee.

Voted, Unanimously, by standing vote, that we express our appreciation of the generous bequest of Mrs. Joanna C. Morse of Cambridge, and that the minutes of the same be spread upon the records of the Town.

The following Resolutions were passed unanimously by rising vote. Whereas the Town by the untimely decease of its Chief of Police, Samuel T. Harris has met with the loss of an efficient officer, and a good citizen, be it Resolved, that we his fellow townsmen in public assembly testify as to the excellence of his character, as a citizen, and his ability as the head of our Police Department, and that these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Town and that a copy with the Town Seal affixed be sent to the bereaved family.

Report of Committee on Water Meters.

The Committee on Water Meters appointed at March Town Meeting last year beg leave to report :

At our first meeting the entire water question was generally discussed as preparatory to our consideration of Water Meters, and it was unanimously voted that in the opinion of the Committee the Water Department should be self supporting.

The several meetings following were devoted to the Meter question, with the result that we offer to the Town the following recommendation.

That this Committee recommend that the Town adopt water meters and sell water to the citizens by meter rates, that the Water Commissioners meter the Town before the expiration of our present contract with the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board December 31st, 1908, and that about one-third of the fixtures be metered each year, during the three years intervening, and that the reading of the meters be taken every three months to enable the Water Commissioners to determine the rate they

must charge for water to meet the required revenue needed for the new contract, that the Town own the meters and charge rental, and that bonds be issued in payment of the same if necessary.

GEO. A. R. HORTON,
MARTIN L. QUINN,
ALLEN H. COLE,

Selectmen.

WM. H. BATES,
S. M. KEHOE,
C. S. HASKELL,

Water Commissioners.

HENRY I. NESMITH.
EDWIN A. FARNHAM.
BENJ. G. INGALLS.

Report accepted and referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of the Superintendent of the Cemetery was referred to the Finance Committee.

Voted, That the suggestions of the Board of Health regarding the drains emptying on to Fisherman's Beach be referred to the Sewer Commissioners, to report to the adjourned meeting. The report of the Board of Health being under consideration, W. A. Stubbs offered the following motion, which was unanimously voted, That a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the doings of the Board of Health and health officer for the last three years, and that they be empowered to call for person's books and papers, and employ stenographer and counsel if they so wish, and if in their investigation they find cause they proceed at once to prefer charges and deliver their findings to the district attorney for prosecution.

Article 5 was referred to the Finance Committee, also, the reports of the Highway Surveyor and Park Commissioners.

Articles 43 and 44 were taken up and referred to said Committee.

The following were accepted as a list of Jurors :

Ashton, Herman F.	Jackson, Charles T.
Bain, Wellesley W.	Johnson, Frank E.
Bassett, Frank H.	Knowlton, Daniel F.
Beckett, Daniel C.	Kendrick, Seth C.
Blanchard, Horace W.	Keefe, John F.
Brackett, Samuel G.	Leslie, Robert
Bradford, Frank H.	Merritt, John R.
Cahoon, L. Herbert	Morris, Stephen D.
Call, Edward E.	Melzard, Ralph
Caton, James F.	Melzard, Richard E.
Clay, George F.	Nies, Martin
Cole, Allen H.	Nesbett, David W.
Conner, George M.	Nesbett, J. E. O.
Delano, Gilbert	Phippen, Charles H.
Douglass, Henry E.	Phillips, James E.
Drew, John G.	Rich, Benjamin F.
Edgerly, I. Irving	Rowe, Allen S.
Finney, Winslow	Russell, Edmund
Galeucia, Nathaniel	Stanley, John G.
Heath, George A.	Taylor, James L.
Harris, George W.	Thurston, Frank D.
Horton, George A. R.	Thurston, John W.
Hodgkins, Elias G.	Whitcomb, Otis A.
Hudson, Levi	Wiley, Edwin F.
Hutt, William D.	Widger, James H.

The balance of the recommendations of the Departments was committed to the Finance Committee.

Adjourned to to-morrow, Wednesday evening, at 7.45 o'clock.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, March 21, 1906.

Meeting called to order at 7.45 P. M., by the Moderator.

Records of the last meeting read and declared approved.

The following votes were passed.

ART. 7. That the bonds required of the Town Treasurer be \$15,000.

ART. 9. That the Collector's bond be \$10,000.

ART. 10. That a discount of two per cent be allowed on all taxes paid on or before October 1, of the current year.

That E. A. Maxfield and Rev. George A. Jackson be added to the Finance Committee, and that the date of the adjourned meeting to which they report, is extended to April 23, at 7.30 P. M., and that Articles 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 38, 39, 42 and 45 be referred to said Committee.

ART. 25. Voted, To include in Section 1 for the construction of particular sewers and connecting drains, that portion of Middlesex avenue lying between Ellis Road and Norfolk avenue, also Grant Road, and instruct the Sewer Commissioners to assess in the same manner and at the same prices, all sewer connections on the above named streets in accordance with the average cost before determined upon in Section 1, as voted by the Town in a meeting held July 22, 1903.

ART. 31. Frank W. Homan, Winslow I. Curtis, and Robert Leslie were appointed a committee to investigate and report to the adjourned meeting in reference to the nuisance existing on Danvers street.

ART. 36 was indefinitely postponed.

The following was announced as the committee on revision of the by-laws: John Albree, Fred C. Marsh and W. A. Stubbs, Mr. Stubbs having been excused, Daniel F. Knowlton was chosen in his stead, Frank L. Simpson was added to that committee.

The following were named by the Moderator as the committee to investigate the doings of the Board of Health and Health Officer: William H. Bates, Martin L. Quinn, Ernest B. Thing, Thomas B. P. Curtis and George A. R. Horton. Mr. Horton having declined to serve. W. A. Stubbs was substituted as a member of the committee, on motion from the floor.

ART. 37. Voted, That the Town grant to Post 118, G. A. R., the exclusive use of the Pine Street Building from the close of the current school year, and so long as said post shall have a corporate existence and shall hold stated meetings.

ART. 40. Voted, That a half holiday on Saturday with pay be granted to all employees of the Highway, Sewer, Water, Health and Tree Warden's Departments, who have worked three days in each week, for six months commencing April 1, 1906.

ART. 41. Voted, That at the Annual Town Meeting to be held in March, 1907, a Moderator be chosen on the official ballot to serve for one year, in accordance with the provision of Chapter 346 of the Acts of 1902; that the provisions of the said Act be and

hereby are accepted; that the matter of changing the by-laws of the Town to accord with the provisions of the said Act be referred to the committee on revision of the by-laws.

Adjourned to Monday, April 23, 1906, at 7.30 P. M.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, April 23, 1906.

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P. M. by the Moderator.

Records of last meeting read and declared approved.

Mr. Hastings from the Finance Committee submitted the following report:

Report of Finance Committee of 1906.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

The members of the Finance Committee, appointed March 20, 1906, herewith present to the Town the report of their action on the matters referred to them, all of which is respectfully submitted. Signed by the Committee, Henry, B. Sprague, Wilmot R. Hastings, Weston K. Lewis, Benjamin G. Ingalls, George A. Jackson, Robert B. Wardwell, Edward A. Maxfield, Allen H. Cole, Arthur C. Widger.

The Committee is unanimously of the opinion that the interests of the Town would be seriously affected by any increase in the rate of taxation, and we are able to state that if our recommendations are adopted the tax rate will not be increased.

In the School Department we have thoroughly considered the request for an increase in salaries, and have deemed it inexpedient to advise the same. We have recommended an appropria-

tion of \$26,000 which we feel sure is ample for the department's needs, if careful economy is observed.

For Police Department, we have recommended the sum of \$5,100, and we also advise that one less man be employed on the force.

In the Fire Department, we have reduced the appropriation to \$8,200 and receipts. It would seem that any further reduction must be effected by reducing the number of permanent men employed.

We have sadly to report that Mr. G. A. R. Horton, whose presence we continued to desire and expect for some meetings, was never able to sit with us. We wish here to state that we deem his absence, intimately acquainted as he was with Town affairs, a distinct loss to our deliberations. We desire also to testify our high esteem for our late associate as an upright and most estimable man, and as a citizen who, repeatedly entrusted by his fellow townsmen with their highest office, was always faithful to his trust and untiring in his efforts to promote both the material and the moral interests of the Town.

Voted, To accept the report of the Finance Committee.

Selectmen's Department.

Danvers Street Bridge.

We have investigated the condition of this bridge and find that repairs are very much needed. From estimates received, we recommend that the sum of \$700 be appropriated for this work.

Voted, To appropriate \$700 as recommended.

Cemetery Land.

We recommend that action be postponed on that portion of the Selectmen's Report relating to the improvement of undeveloped land.

Recommendations adopted.

Orient Street Improvement.

We find that a very dangerous corner exists on Orient Street in the premises owned by Mr. Arthur Little. We endorse the

recommendation of the Selectmen on this subject, and recommend the appropriation of \$1,000 for this work.

Voted, To appropriate \$1,000 for this work as recommended.

Junction of Humphrey and Orient Streets.

After investigation, we find that the land is not for sale which was formerly occupied by the Hay Scales at the junction of Humphrey and Orient streets, and therefore we recommend that further action be postponed.

Report adopted.

Sidewalks.

In accordance with the suggestion of the Selectmen that the Town should determine the material to be used in the construction of sidewalks, we recommend the use of concrete for this purpose.

Recommendation of Committee adopted.

Town Hall.

We recommend that no action be taken at this time toward placing illuminated dials on the Town Hall clock, and we further recommend that the present illumination be discontinued.

We recommend an appropriation of \$250 for painting the Town Hall and the house known as the Police Station.

Recommendations adopted and \$250 appropriated.

Curbing Around Monument Lot.

We recommend the appropriation of \$75 to reset the curbing around the Soldiers' monument, as we feel that this amount will be necessary to properly do the work.

Appropriation of \$75, as recommended.

Department Appropriations.

We recommend that the following amounts be appropriated for the current expenses of the various departments during the current year :

Highway, receipts and	\$9,000
School	26,000
For grading and concreting in Clarke	
School yard	300
Selectmen	5,500
Poor	2,000
Police, receipts and	5,100
Fire, receipts and	8,200
Library, dog tax and	800
Street lighting	10,000
Cemetery	900
Sidewalks	500
Town Hall, receipts and	1,200
Crushing stone	1,200
Catch basins and gutters	800
Curbstones and concrete	500
Re-setting curbstones	50
Care of Monument Lot	25
Hand hose for Monument Lot	5
Street watering	2,700
Water rates	1,150
Health	3,500
Soldiers' Relief	1,800
Park, receipts and	1,000
Care of brooks	Nothing
Care of snow	1,000
State Tax	15,000
County Tax	12,000
Interest	4,500
Sewer bonds	4,600
Interest on sewer bonds	7,500
Sewer maintenance	3,500

On motion the appropriation for the Health Department was made \$3,500, and as thus amended the Committee's recommendations were adopted and the several sums appropriated.

Police Department.

Typewriter.

We consider that no action is necessary on the recommendation contained in the report of this department that the Town should appropriate money for a typewriting machine.

Report adopted.

Highway Department.

Town Fences.

The condition of the fence along Fishermen's beach on Humphrey street is such that quite a sum would be required to repair it. We feel that it would be economy to build an iron fence at this place, and, for this purpose together with repairs needed in other sections, we recommend the sum of \$750.

Report adopted, and \$750 appropriated.

Re-surfacing Essex Street.

The requirements of the Highway Department being so extensive, we feel that \$750 is a judicious amount to expend on this street this year, we therefore recommend that this amount be appropriated therefor.

Report adopted, and \$750 appropriated.

Building for Road Roller.

We recommend that a suitable building be erected on the lot belonging to the Town adjoining the stone crusher on the State Road and that the building be large enough to house the steam roller, watering carts and tools belonging to the Town. We recommend an appropriation of \$700 for this purpose.

Report adopted and \$700 appropriated.

Fire Department.

New Horse.

We recommend that the purchase of a new horse be referred to the Selectmen, without appropriation.

Report adopted.

New Supply Wagon.

We recommend that the old supply wagon be repainted and provided with a new set of wheels and that \$75 be appropriated for this purpose.

Report adopted and \$75 appropriated.

Increase of Pay.

We advise that it is inexpedient at this time to increase the pay of the permanent men, as requested, and that no appropriation be made.

Report adopted.

Report of Tree Warden.

Planting New Trees, etc.

We recommend that appropriation of \$250 for the planting, pruning, and removal of trees be made, as requested by the Tree Warden.

Report adopted and \$250, appropriated.

Cutting Down Trees.

We protest against the proposed action of cutting down seventeen trees on Burrill street, and recommend that Tree Warden be instructed not to do so, and no appropriation be made.

Report adopted.

Board of Health.

Public Bathing Facilities.

We recommend that no action be taken at this time to provide public bathing facilities.

Report adopted.

Auditors' Report.

We recommend that no increase be made in the salary of the Tax Collector, as recommended by the Auditors.

Report adopted.

Town Warrant.

Article 11.

We recommend an appropriation of \$175 for Memorial Day, as provided for in this article.

Voted to appropriate \$175 for Memorial Day as recommended.

ART. 12. We recommend that the amount appropriated the current year be \$151,435.12 and that \$15,000 of this sum be raised by loan for permanent improvements.

Voted, That the sum of \$15,000 be borrowed for permanent improvements and that the Town Treasurer be hereby authorized with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue four notes of the Town, one for \$1,000 payable in 1907, one for \$1,000 payable in 1909, one for \$1,000 payable in 1913, and one for \$12,000 payable in 1916.

ARTS. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18. We recommend that these articles asking for street lights be referred to the Street Lighting Committee without additional appropriation.

Report adopted.

Voted, That the same committee on Street Lights serve for the current year, namely, Edwin A. Farnham, John R. Merritt, J. F. Caton, Martin L. Quinn, Frank J. Linnehan.

ARTS. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 45. We recommend that these articles asking for special sewers be referred to the Sewer Commissioners without an appropriation.

Report adopted.

ART. 24 taken up. Voted, That the Town build the sewer in the Hillside avenue district in accordance with the plan now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, at an estimated expense of \$10,000 payment for the same to be made from money now in the treasury to the credit of the sewer department which accrued from sewer assessments. The route of said sewer to be left with the Sewer Commissioners.

ARTS. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 45, Voted to adopt the balance of the recommendations of the committee in reference to these articles.

ART. 26. We do not recognize the need of a street crossing across Middlesex avenue at the head of Berkshire street and recommend that this article be indefinitely postponed.

Report adopted.

ART. 27. We recommend that this article asking for an extension of water main in Pleasant street be referred to the Water Commissioners without an appropriation.

Report adopted.

ART. 28. We recommend that the Town indefinitely postpone action on this article asking for a landing pier at Park beach.

Report adopted.

ART. 29. We recommend that the Town adopt the use of water meters for the measurement of all water used in the Town, and that the Board of Water Commissioners be authorized and instructed to purchase and install meters throughout the Town before the thirty-first day of December, 1908, and as far as practicable one-third of said meters shall be installed before December 31st, 1906, one-third before December 31st, 1907, and the remainder before December 31st, 1908; that water be sold to the citizens of the Town at a certain rate per thousand gallons, said rate to be determined by the Water Commissioners, and that for the purpose of determining the rate to be charged, said meters shall be read every three months; the title to all such meters to remain in the Town and a reasonable rental to be determined by the Water Commissioners shall be charged for the use thereof.

Voted, To adopt the recommendations of the Committee on this Article.

ART. 30. We recommend that the Town indefinitely postpone action on this article providing for the special appropriation of \$10,000 for water meters, as the Water Board now has sufficient money on hand to do that part of the work required to be done this year.

Recommendation adopted.

ART. 32. We recommend that action be indefinitely postponed on this article asking for a concrete sidewalk on Ellis road adjacent to the play ground.

Recommendations adopted.

ART. 33. We recommend that \$300 be appropriated to resurface Grant road and fix sidewalks, as provided in this article.

Voted, To appropriate \$300, as recommended.

ART. 34. We recommend the indefinite postponement of this article providing for fire alarm box on Outlook Road, as the locality is already covered by boxes 21 and 112.

Report adopted.

ART. 35. We recommend that \$1,000 be appropriated for the construction of continuous sidewalks during the current year. We recommend that the first work be started at the Soldiers' Monument and extend on the northeasterly side of Burrill and Humphrey streets in both directions, and also northerly on Monument avenue as far as this appropriation will admit. We recommend that in future years such sidewalks shall begin where the old work is already completed, to the end that lines of continuous concrete sidewalks shall lead in all directions from the central portions of the town.

Voted to adopt the committee's report and appropriate \$1,000 as recommended.

ART. 38. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$300, to put the Pine Street School building in condition, the money to be expended under the direction of a committee to consist of the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Commander of Post 118, G. A. R. and one other citizen, to be appointed by the Moderator, Rev. Geo. A. Jackson was thus appointed. The following was adopted :

RESOLVED, That the citizens of the Town view with complacency the patriotic spirit of our successive Boards of Selectmen for many years, in allowing Post 118 of the Grand Army of the Republic to use unoccupied portions of our school buildings; that we have no counter instructions to give to our present Executive Board; and that if the Post shall see fit, with the co-operation of townspeople, to prepare in the Pine Street School building a Memorial Room, decorated with war flags and other patriotic emblems, and open at suitable hours to the

public, we can foresee no reason why future executive officers should diverge from the practice of their predecessors.

ART. 39. We recommend that action be indefinitely postponed on this article asking for an appropriation for heating Pine street school building, as the request has been withdrawn.

Report adopted.

ART. 42. The Town is required by statute to appropriate the sum of \$5,078.12 for the extermination of gypsy and brown tail moths. The statue being mandatory, we recommend the appropriation of this sum.

Voted to appropriate \$5,078.12 as recommended.

ART. 43. We cannot advise the Town to accept Essex avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, nor any other street or avenue through private property until it shall first have been properly built and graded and sidewalks constructed. We take the position that streets should not be built through private property for the purpose of developing the same at public expense; but, as is the custom in other municipalities, the streets should first be properly constructed before the Town is requested to take charge of them.

By a rising vote of 144 yes, to 127 no, the report of the Committee on this Article was adopted.

Voted to recommit to the Selectmen the laying out of Essex avenue.

ART. 44. We recommend that Woodland avenue as laid out by the Selectmen be accepted and its name be changed to Melvin avenue as recommended, and that no appropriation be made therefor.

Voted, To accept Melvin avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, when all the wavers have been signed.

Adjourned to to-morrow, Tuesday evening, April 24, at 7.30 o'clock.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, April 24, 1906.

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P. M., by the Moderator.

Records of last meeting read and declared approved.

Report of Committee on Beach Drain.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

Your committee to whom the matter of the beach drains was referred, respectfully submit the following report:

In the report of the Board of Health reference was made to connecting the beach drains with the sewer basin.

The basin and sewerage system have been designed entirely for the disposal of domestic sewerage and this has been necessarily so on account of the great expense both of construction and operation which would otherwise be required. The peat matter in the swamp together with the mud in the streets would create a great expense if it were allowed to enter the basin, and would have to be cleaned out.

An observation of the catch basins along the streets, which are cleaned out from time to time would show how great an accumulation would come from this cause, it would be necessary to construct another large basin with proper overflow before any of this water could be turned into the basin and even then a large amount would unavoidably get into the basin, this would

increase the cost of maintenance in addition to that caused by pumping, a smaller expenditure in the regulating of the brooks and creating proper outlets would provide substantially the same result and would not interfere with the present sewerage system.

As the matter complained of is largely occasioned by house drainage in the vicinity, your committee would recommend that all sewerage be taken out of the brooks as can easily be done by obliging the persons along sewer lines to connect with the sewers and by some slight extension of the sewer system on Orient court, the cost of the extension to be taken from the sewer assessments in the treasury.

We would recommend that the sum of \$200 be added to the appropriation for the Selectmen's department to be expended under their direction in repairing the present wooden drains running on the beach.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BUNTING,

E. H. CURTIS,

H. B. SPRAGUE,

Sewer Commissioners.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report and to appropriate the sum of \$200.

Voted, That the Sewer Commissioners be authorized to expend the money in the treasury accruing from sewer assessments for such further sewer construction as in their judgment may be deemed necessary.

Report of the Committee on Art 31.

The Committee which was appointed at the Town meeting which was held at Town Hall, on Wednesday, March 21st, 1906, to investigate the so-called Danvers street nuisance, has attended to its duty and begs leave to submit the following report:

The several members of said committee visited the locality known as the piggery on Danvers street and found existing conditions to be of a very filthy nature.

Said Committee also held a public hearing at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, March 29th, and listened to the testimony of several residents of that locality as to conditions and the odor arising therefrom :

From personal observation and information gained from reliable sources, said committee is of the opinion that the piggery, its surroundings, and their existing filthy conditions, are a public nuisance, and a menace to health.

Therefore, said committee would recommend that the proprietors of said piggery be given thirty (30) days' notice to remove the same.

Signed :

ROBERT LESLIE,
W. J. CURTIS,
F. W. HOMAN,

Investigating Committee.

With an amendment, that the Selectmen be a Committee to carry out the Committee's recommendations,

The Report was accepted and adopted.

Report of Committee on New System of Bookkeeping and Auditing.

Mr. Call for the Committee submitted an extended report of their doings.

Motion for its adoption lost, 101 yes, 129 no.

B. O. Honors of the Committee submitted a minority report, that Auditors of the past year correct their report, and that the present Board of Auditors adopt a better system.

Accepted and adopted.

The report of the Auditors on the recommitment of their report was called for, but not received.

The Committee on the Revision of the By-Laws reports:

That the By-laws under which the Town is acting, are those which were adopted in 1890, together with such acts of the Legislature, additions and amendments as have since been adopted from time to time, by vote of the Town. Examination of the Town Reports since 1890 shows that these changes and additions are many in number. It will therefore take much time and effort to incorporate these in a form of By-laws to be submitted to the Town for action.

Already many suggestions have been made to members of the Committee by individual citizens as to features that experience has shown it might be well to include in a revision. It is evident therefore that the duty assigned by the Town to this Committee is one which it will require much time to execute, not only from the magnitude of the undertaking, but for the further reason that the Committee wish to obtain the benefit of the experience of those who have held office in the Town, as well as the views of citizens generally. For this purpose it is contemplated to hold public hearings to afford opportunity for suggestion and criticism.

The Committee therefore recommends that there be a special adjournment of this meeting to Monday, September 10, at 7.45 P. M., at which time the Committee will make a report of a draft of By-laws for the consideration of the the Town.

JOHN ALBREE,
FRANK L. SIMPSON,
DANIEL F. KNOWLTON.

Swampscott, April 23, 1906.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report with recommendations.

**Report of Committee to Investigate the Doings of the
Board of Health.**

Your committee begs leave to submit the following report:
Your committee, immediately following its appointment by the Town met and organized with Mr. W. A. Stubbs, chairman,

and W. H. Bates, secretary. For the purpose of conducting a thorough and orderly investigation the committee voted to procure the services of counsel, and F. L. Simpson, Esq., was therefore employed.

At the first meeting held on Wednesday evening, March 21, it was decided that the committee should as its first business, inspect the books, and other public records of the Board of Health, and accordingly a request was made upon that Board to allow your committee such inspection; this request was refused, as were also three subsequent requests. Your committee, having been thus absolutely refused an inspection of the records of the Board, thereupon determined that legal proceedings were necessary in order that the instructions of the Town might be followed and the duty imposed by it performed. Accordingly, a petition for a writ of mandamus was filed by its counsel, in the Supreme Judicial Court on Friday, March 30, asking that the members of the Board of Health be compelled to allow such inspection. To this petition the respondents answered, denying the legal existence of your committee, denying further its right to have an inspection of the said records, and also the power of the Town to appoint a committee to investigate their doings; the case came on to be tried on Friday, April 6, at which time the respondents agreed to permit the inspection by your committee and the proceedings were continued one week, on condition that a full inspection might be had.

While these proceedings were pending, your Committee had held several meetings, at which the annual reports of the Board of Health and of the Auditors', of the accounts of the Board for the past three years were reviewed, as well as the bills approved by the Board, which bills were in the custody of the Board of Selectmen. In these investigations, every assistance and courtesy was afforded your Committee by the Selectmen.

In pursuance of the agreement mentioned above, the books of the Board of Health were inspected on Saturday, April 7 and on Monday and Tuesday, April 9 and 10, with the assistance of counsel and a stenographer, and on April 13, the legal proceedings instituted by your Committee were dismissed.

Having inspected thoroughly the records then in the possession of the Board of Health, your Committee determined to hold hearings to take testimony concerning the doings of the Board; and accordingly a hearing was assigned for Monday, April 16, and the members of the Board, Messrs. Stratton, Haley and Stone, together with Mr. Martin E. Nies, were notified and requested to appear before your Committee at that time.

The Committee met on the evening of the 16th, but the members of the Board and said Martin E. Nies, refused to appear before your Committee and testify or explain any of their doings. No other witnesses having been summoned for that hearing the Committee adjourned. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings and Saturday afternoon of the week April 16-21, hearings were given, at which several witnesses appeared and testified under oath as to their knowledge and dealings with the Board of Health.

Several witnesses, summoned to appear before your Committee failed to appear, and one who did appear and testify, alone refused to give testimony under oath.

Your Committee have seriously considered the evidence which has been adduced before it and is unanimously of the conviction that a situation exists which demands the serious thought and efforts of the citizens of the Town, and further that the situation as it appears at present at least, is one to be dealt with by the Town itself.

In making the recommendations which your Committee feel it is their duty to make, the Committee have considered the advisability of the Town's continuing the investigation as provided by law, by petition to the Superior Court, which proceeding involves an injury by the Courts. In rejecting this manner of proceeding your Committee have been influenced not only by the considerations to be mentioned, but also by the necessary delay incident to such proceedings and the further fact that considerable expense would thereby be incurred since the statutes provide that the costs of such investigation should be borne by the Town.

The Committee have not been unmindful of your instructions

as to the method of procedure; but in view of the fact that the members of your Board of Health have not as yet made any explanations which may be made by them, the Committee have not deemed it an advisable proceeding to go before the District Attorney with any accusations.

But more particularly have your Committee been influenced to this conclusion by the fact that they believe that the Town desires rather that its public service should be honest, capable, and diligent, than that prosecutions be had, at least until the public service is placed upon such a basis; and further that the citizens of this Town wish their public servants to realize their accountability to the Town at all times; and that the wilful refusal of your agents, the Board of Health, to render such account to your duly constituted and authorized Committee is an affront to the Town which calls for action by our own townspeople.

Wherefore your Committee recommends that charges be preferred against the members of the Board of Health, Frank B. Stratton, Michael Haley, and Jasper H. Stone, for maladministration in office, the specifications whereof are set forth herein; and if these charges be proved to be true, that the said members of the Board of Health, Stratton, Haley and Stone be removed from their offices by a vote of the Town; in order that such proceedings may be lawfully conducted that a copy of the charges be served upon the said Stratton, Haley and Stone and that a Committee to consist of the Board of Selectmen and Mr. Edwin F. Wiley and Mr. Elgar H. Townsend be appointed to hear the evidence upon these charges, said Committee to report their findings of fact and recommendations to an adjourned Town meeting to be held on May 10, 1906, at 7.45 P. M. to determine whether said Stratton, Haley and Stone be removed from office. That the Committee be authorized to employ counsel and a stenographer and be empowered to summon witnesses and call for an inspection of public records and private documents and papers.

Your Committee being convinced from the evidence in their possession that the charges to be suggested are warranted, further recommend that the following charges be and hereby are made against the said Stratton, Haley and Stone.

1. That the said Stratton, Haley and Stone, have destroyed, altered and failed to keep records which they are required by law to preserve or have permitted such records to be destroyed and altered.

2. That the said Stratton, Haley and Stone, have wilfully and without just cause refused to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidders in violation of the By-laws of the Town.

3. That the said Stratton, Haley and Stone, acting as a Board of Health, have approved bills against the Town for work which has not been performed.

4. That the said members of the Board of Health have approved bills for services rendered by themselves and have received money in excess of their respective salaries, in violation of a vote of the Town.

5. That the said members of the Board of Health have fraudulently and unlawfully awarded contracts to irresponsible persons, without adequate security for faithful performance of the said contracts.

6. That the said members of the Board of Health have wilfully violated the plumbing law by refusing and failing to appoint an inspector of plumbing in accordance with the provisions of Rev. Laws Ch. 103, the provisions of which statute have been adopted by the Town.

7. That the said members of the Board of Health have been guilty of wilful extravagance in the expenditure of the public money in excess of the appropriation voted by the Town to the said Board contrary to the By-laws of the Town.

8. That they have wilfully violated the provisions of the Health Regulations of the Town.

W. A. STUBBS,
MARTIN L. QUINN,
THOMAS B. P. CURTIS,
ERNEST B. THING,
WILLIAM H. BATES.

Voted, Unanimously, to accept and adopt the report of the Committee.

On motion of John Albree it was unanimously voted that a committee to consist of the Board of Selectmen and Edwin F. Wiley and Elgar H. Townsend be appointed to hear evidence upon the charges against the Board of Health, said committee to report their findings of fact and their recommendations to an adjourned Town Meeting to be held on the 10th day of May, 1906, at 7.45 P. M., that this committee be authorized to employ counsel and engage a stenographer and be empowered to summon witnesses and call for an inspection of public records.

Adjourned to Thursday, May 10, 1906, at 7.45 P. M.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting, April 28, 1906.

TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Saturday, the twenty-eighth day of April, current, at twelve o'clock noon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To choose one Selectman for the balance of the current year.

The polls to close at 6.30 o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Sixteenth day of April, in the year one thousand nine hundred and six.

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
Selectmen of Swampscott.

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

Return on the Warrant.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and twenty other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott on Tuesday the seventeenth day of April, 1906, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

In accordance with the Warrant the meeting convened at 12 o'clock noon. Daniel F. Knowlton was chosen Moderator. Special Election Officer, James H. Moulton; Ballot Clerks, David W. Nisbett and Freeman A. Baker; Tellers, Frank V.

Porter, Sidney T. Doane, Reps. Frank D. Thurston and Charles W. Carroll, Dems. The polls closed at 6.30 P. M., 564 ballots having been cast, with the following result:

For Selectman, James F. Caton, 239; John R. Merritt, 320, Elected; Blanks 5. Meeting dissolved at 6.45, P. M.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting May 10, 1906.

Called to order at 7.50 P. M., by the Moderator.

Records of last meeting read and declared, approved.

George R. Hussey of the 1905 Board of Auditors, reported that they had corrected the different reports at a meeting, held for the purpose, and would refer same to the different Departments for approval.

Elgar H. Townsend of the Committee appointed at last meeting to investigate the doings of the Board of Health, submitted the Committee's report, which was read.

Report of the Committee Appointed to Hear Charges Against The Members of The Board of Health.

SWAMPSCOTT, May 10, 1906.

Your Committee respectfully submits the following report:

Following the appointment of your Committee, on charges preferred against the members of the Board of Health, Frank P. Stratton, Michael Haley and Jasper H. Stone, a copy of which charges was served upon the said Stratton, Haley and Stone, and notice was given them that hearings were to be held and they were summoned to appear and make answer to the charges and to testify thereon; the first hearing to be held on Tuesday,

May 1st. The time of this hearing was assented to by the members of the Board of Health. The hearing was held as agreed, but the members of the Board of Health failed to appear and to file any answer to these charges. Hearings were held thereafter and the testimony of such witnesses as were willing to come before your committee was heard, such testimony being given under oath.

Your Committee has also inspected the books and records in the possession of the Board of Health so far as such inspection was within the scope of the committee's duties in respect to the charges preferred against the said members of the Board of Health. To obtain this inspection it was necessary for your Committee to take proceedings at law.

In the matter of the first specification of the charges that "the said Stratton, Haley and Stone have destroyed, altered and failed to keep records which they are required by law to preserve or permitted such records to be destroyed and altered."

The Committee finds that the said Stratton, Haley and Stone have failed to keep records required by law, but that the evidence produced was insufficient to sustain a finding that such records were altered and destroyed.

Bearing upon this first specification the Committee finds the following facts that (a) a contract was made with one William H. Carroll by the Board of Health for fumigating the schools of the Town in September, 1905, but there is no record upon the record book of their proceedings on such contract: that there are no records of permits issued for plumbing work to be done, upon the records of their proceedings as required by law to be kept and that the only record in the possession of the Board of these permits is contained in the certificates of inspections performed by the plumbing Inspector and that the number of these approved certificates is less than the number indicated by the bills of the plumbing Inspector, which have been paid by the Town on approval of the members of the Board of Health; and that further, many of these certificates have been made up subsequent to their approval and subsequent to payment for such inspections by the Town.

In the matter of the second specification of the charges, "that the said Stratton, Haley and Stone have wilfully and without just cause refused to award contracts to first responsible bidders and in violation of the By-laws of the Town," your committee finds this specification has been sustained and bases its finding upon the following facts :

(a) That bids for the removal of house offal were submitted to the Board of Health in 1903, by Wetherby & Company and Higgins & Company, and that these bids were by the same party under different names, to wit, George F. Busby, and that this fact was known or ought to have been known by the said members of the Board of Health.

(b) That the bid of Wetherby & Company was for \$700 per year; that of Higgins & Company was for \$595 per year; that at the same time Higgins & Company made a second bid to collect the house offal for "ten per cent less than the lowest bidder," and that the contract was awarded to Higgins & Company for \$595 per year.

(c) In April, 1904, among the many bids for the collection of house offal, was one of Higgins & Company for \$2,250 for five years and one of French & Company for \$1,249.95 for five years, and for the collection of ashes, one of Higgins for \$3,000 and one of French & Company for \$2,209.95, and that it was known to the Board of Health that these were of the same party, George F. Busby; that the contract was awarded to the French & Company at the above figures.

(d) That thereafter and in the said April, 1904, the said Busby presented a bill for \$100 represented to be for collection of house offal which had been left by the contractor who had the contract in 1902-3; that this bill was approved by the Board of Health; was refused payment by the Board of Selectmen and that thereupon Busby withdrew his bid as French & Company and refused to perform the contract.

(e) That thereafter in May, 1904, bids were presented for the collection of house offal and ashes for five years, among which bids were that of Lawrence Rainford for \$3,250 for the collection of ashes for five years; \$3,875 for the collection of the

house offal for five years, which were the lowest bids; that it was known, to the members of the Board of Health that Rainford had no property nor means of collecting ashes or house offal, and that he was a shoe operative, and that the said Busby was to continue to collect the same as he had been doing hitherto, and that the contract was awarded to said Rainford for five years; that neither Rainford and Busby were responsible parties.

In the matter of the third specification of the charges. "That the said Stratton, Haley and Stone, acting as a Board of Health, have approved bills against the Town for work which has not been performed," your Committee finds that this specification has been sustained. Relating to this specification the Committee finds the following:

(a) That although the contracts for the removal of house offal provided for the removal of the said offal out of town, a greater part of the house offal for the past three years has been delivered in the Town of Swampscott, however, to a certain piggery on Danvers Street leased by George F. Busby or to the residence of the said Stratton on Burrill Street.

(b) That the said Board of Health approved the bill of Higgins & Company, for the collection of extra house offal which was claimed to have been left by Michael McDonough at the close of his contract for the collection of house offal in 1902; that no such work had been performed by Higgins & Company.

(c) A bill of one William H. Carroll for fumigating all the school-houses of the Town on September 3, 4, and 5 of 1905, for \$60 was approved by the Board of Health and that at least one school was not fumigated by the said Carroll and that no sum of money was deducted from the said bill; that a bill for \$45 of Jasper H. Stone for fumigating all the school-houses of the Town in September, 1904, was approved by the said Board of Health; that one school-house was not fumigated and that no deductions were made on said bill; that bills of one Martin E. Nies and one Fred L. Perkins for 632 inspections of plumbing has been approved by the said members of the Board of Health and paid by the Town, but that 611 inspections only have been approved by the said inspectors.

(d) Bills have been approved by the said Board of Health and paid by the Town to said Nies of \$7.20 for each week from February 3, 1905, to January 19, 1906, represented 60 cents per hour for over two hours in each day of the week. Evidence was offered tending to show and was believed by your committee that said Nies was not present at the office of the Board of Health in performance of his duties for at least fifteen days for which he has submitted bills which have been approved by said members of the Board of Health.

(e) That the bills of one W. H. Carroll for fumigating were explained in this way; by the said Carroll that he was to receive \$1.00 an hour for fumigating and \$1.00 an hour for carriage hire; by said Stratton, member of the Board of Health that the said Carroll was to receive \$1.00 a room for fumigating and \$1.00 an hour for carriage hire; some of the bills of the said Carroll approved by the said Board of Health are for fumigating at \$1.50 an hour and for other sums.

Your Committee finds that the bills of the said Carroll, did not accord with the testimony offered by the said Carroll or the said Stratton and that the said Carroll said that the bills which had been approved by the Board of Health and paid by the Town were not correct.

In the matter of the fourth specification "that the said members of the Board of Health have approved bills for services rendered by themselves and have received money in excess of their respective salaries, in violation of a vote of the Town," your Committee finds this specification has been sustained. Relating to this specification the Committee finds as follows:

(a) That on April 12th, at an adjourned Town Meeting held April 12th, 1904, it was voted "that all salaried officials of the Town bring an itemized bill to the Selectmen for their approval and no money shall be paid out of the Town Treasury to any salaried official in excess of his salary for services rendered," and that at an adjourned Town Meeting held on March 23, 1905, it was resolved "that all salaried officials of the Town shall present itemized bills to the Selectmen for their approval and no money shall be paid out of the Town Treasury in excess of his

salary for services rendered;" that during the year 1904-5 the said Board approved bills of the said Stone for services to the Town, said bills aggregating in amount to \$101.00; of the said Haley \$85.00 and of the said Stratton \$20.25, and the said Stone, Haley and Stratton were paid the respective sums; that during the year 1905-6 said Board approved the bills of the said Stone for services rendered aggregating \$12.00; and of the said Haley bills aggregating \$22.00; and that the said Stone and Haley received these respective sums of money.

In the matter of the fifth specifications of charges. "That the said members of the Board of Health have fraudulently and unlawfully awarded contracts to irresponsible persons without adequate security for faithful performance of the said contracts," your Committee finds that the said specifications have been sustained. In relation to the said specification the facts set forth above under the second specification in regard to the awarding of contracts to Higgins & Company and French & Company and Lawrence Rainford, that although the facts therein stated are found to be true, no satisfactory bond was required of the said Rainford from the month of May, 1905, until the month of February, 1906.

In the matter of the sixth specification "That the said members of the Board of Health have wilfully violated the plumbing law by refusing and failing to appoint an inspector of plumbing in accordance with the provisions of Revised Laws, Chapter 103, the provisions of which statute have been adopted by the Town," your committee finds that this specification has been sustained. Relating to this specification the Committee finds the following facts:

(a) That the provisions of the Revised Laws, Chapter 103, relating to inspection of plumbing, was accepted by vote of the Town on January 11, 1904; that no inspector of plumbing has been appointed by the Board of Health in accordance with the provisions of the said Chapter of said Act, but that the said Board of Health with the exception of the said Stone have appointed an inspector of plumbing, who failed to pass the examination required by the said statute with knowledge and

belief that their act in so doing rendered the Town liable to a fine to the Commonwealth.

(b) That the aforesaid appointment was not required by any necessity, but that there were other plumbers, residents of the Town of Swampscott, who were desirous of the position of Inspector of plumbing and who were willing to take the examination required by the Statute and that their names were wilfully withheld from the Board of the Examiners of plumbers that they might not take said examination.

In the matter of the seventh specification "That the said members of the Board of Health have been guilty of wilful extravagance in the expenditure of the public money in excess of the appropriation voted by the Town to the said Board contrary to the By-Laws of the Town," your committee find that this specification has been sustained. Relating to this specification the committee finds the following facts:

(a) That although the appropriation voted for the fiscal year 1905-6 was \$4,000 that no exigency arose for exceeding this demand, but that the appropriation was exceeded by the Board of Health, the excess being \$434.18, that in addition thereto sums were expended by the Board of Health amounting to \$550; that the Board of Health has in their possession letters from the Town of Brookline stating that the salary of their Plumbing Inspector, and Sanitary Inspector for the Board of Health was \$1,800 and information from the City of Malden that their Inspector was paid \$1,000 a year; from the Town of Dedham that the Inspector of plumbing received \$2.00 per inspection; and from the Town of Wakefield that the Inspector received \$40.00 per month; and from the City of Beverly that the plumbing inspections cost \$600 a year or less and an offer from the Inspector of Beverly, F. W. Herrick of his services, and a letter from the Town of Metheuen that their Inspector of their Town was paid \$2.00 for each inspection; have agreed to pay Martin E. Nies \$5.00 for inspection of new work; \$2.00 for inspection of old work; 60 cents an hour for office work, and that the said Nies received for the fiscal year 1904-5.

\$1,292.80, and the fiscal year 1906, \$1,258.60; and the committee finds that these said sums paid to said Nies are excessive and extravagant for the work performed.

(b) The Committee finds that the contract made with the said Carroll for fumigating in 1905 before mentioned was excessive and extravagant; and that your Committee finds that, the expenditure \$477.34 for supplies and services for fumigating and disinfecting is excessive and extravagant.

In the matter of the eighth specification "that they have wilfully violated the provisions of Health Regulations of the Town," your Committee finds that this specification has been sustained. In relation to this specification your Committee finds the following facts:

(a) That the said Stratton has kept and that the said Stone and Haley has permitted to be kept, by the said Stratton, swine at the residence of the said Stratton on Burrill street, Swampscott.

(b) And that house offal has been delivered to the premises of the said Stratton and that a nuisance has been created to the said premises which was not abated by said Board of Health.

Wherefore your Committee finds evidence of maladministration and malfeasance in office by said Frank B. Stratton Michael Haley and Jasper H. Stone, and your Committee therefore recommends that resolutions be adopted removing said Stratton and said Haley and Stone from their respective offices as members of said Board of Health of the Town of Swampscott, for maladministration and malfeasance in office.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
JOHN R. MERRITT,
EDWIN F. WILEY,
ELGAR H. TOWNSEND.

Pending a motion to accept and adopt the report. M. E. Nies moved that the check list be used in taking the vote.

There not being twenty voters rising in support of the motion. The Moderator declared it not a vote.

The motion to accept and adopt the report of the Committee was carried by a rising vote of 191 yes, to 15 no.

Voted, By a rising vote, on motion of R. B. Wardwell that :

(a) WHEREAS, Serious charges have been preferred against Frank B. Stratton, Michael Haley and Jasper H. Stone, members of the Board of Health of the Town of Swampscott, and relating to and reflecting upon their official conduct as members of said Board for maladministration and malfeasance in office; and

WHEREAS, A Committee of citizens of the Town of Swampscott, appointed to hear evidence on said charges and to report back their findings of fact in relation thereto, have heard said evidence and have reported their findings of fact, together with their conclusions thereon; and

WHEREAS, Said facts as formed by said Committee, sustain the conclusions of said Committee as to maladministration and malfeasance in office by said Stratton, Haley and Stone; and

(b) WHEREAS, It appears that the best interests of the Town of Swampscott, the integrity of its government, and the welfare of its citizens require that said Stratton Haley and Stone should no longer continue to hold office as members of said Board of Health; be it therefore

RESOLVED, That said Frank B. Stratton, Michael Haley and Jasper H. Stone be and they hereby are removed from their said offices as members of said Board of Health, because of maladministration and malfeasance in office; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the said offices heretofore held by said Stratton, Haley and Stone, as members of said Board of Health, be and they hereby are declared to be vacant until the successors of said Stratton, Haley and Stone, shall have been duly elected and shall qualify.

On motion of Edmund Russell it was unanimously voted, that

WHEREAS death has closed the earthly career of our esteemed fellow townsman, George A. R. Horton.

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the citizens of Swampscott, Mass., do by these Resolutions attest to the fidelity displayed by the deceased in performing his duties as a member of our Board of Selectmen, his public acts of which were always characterized with an idea that the best interests of the Town as he saw them were paramount to all others.

THEREFORE, By our votes and in one accord, we say of him, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Town, and a copy with the Town Seal affixed be presented to the bereaved family.

Swampscott, Mass., May 10, 1906.

Adjourned to Monday, September 10, 1906, at 7.45 P. M.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting, June 26, 1906.

TOWN WARRANT. •

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in
said County,* **GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of June, current, at 7.30 o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will accept Essex Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will accept Hardy Road as laid out by the Selectmen, as far as waivers have been signed.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote to pay the Superintendent of Sewers the same compensation as voted last year.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and six.

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
JOHN R. MERRITT,

Selectmen of Swampscott.

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

Constable.

Return on the Warrant.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, depots, post offices and twenty other

public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of June, 1906. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

Constable.

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P. M., by the Clerk, Daniel F. Knowlton chosen Moderator.

ART. 2. Voted, On motion of James T. Lyons, that Essex avenue be accepted by the Town, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, and the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) be appropriated for the same.

ART. 3. Voted, That Hardy Road be accepted as laid out by the Selectmen as far as wavers have been signed.

ART. 4. Voted, To pay the Superintendent of sewers the same compensation as voted last year.

Voted, At 8.17 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

Special Adjournment of Annual Town Meeting to hear and act upon the report of the Committee on Revision of the By-Laws, Sept. 10, 1906.

The meeting was called to order at 7.45 P. M., by the Moderator. Mr. John Albree of the Committee read the report submitted.

Voted, To lay the report upon the table until Sept. 24, inst. at 7.45 o'clock.

Adjourned to Sept. 24, inst. at 7.45 P. M.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

**Special Adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting,
Sept. 24, 1906.**

Meeting called to order at 7.45 P. M., by the Moderator.

Voted, To dispense with the reading of the records of the previous meeting.

The following report of the Committee on revision of the By-Laws was accepted at the previous meeting.

To the Voters of the Town of Swampscott:

In their report for the Town year ending March, 1906, the Selectmen recommended that "a committee be appointed to revise the By-Laws, as the present edition has apparently outlived its usefulness." The Town adopted this recommendation and your Committee was appointed.

The By-Laws, which have "out lived their usefulness," were adopted March 17th, 1890. A comparison of the financial year ending March, 1890, when the By-Laws were last revised, with the year just closed, will be suggestive. Figures are hard to remember, but they must be cited and their citation indicates by contrast the growth of the Town's business, and so suggests that By-Laws, framed to fit the condition of sixteen years ago, are inadequate now.

In 1889-90 the whole amount of bills paid was \$53,263.87, as against \$158,064.78 for 1905-6.

The amount of notes outstanding March, 1890 was \$48,666.66, as against \$475,520, notes and bonds sixteen years later.

The assessed value then was \$4,859,327.00, as against \$8,147,627.00 now.

Or, stating these facts in another form, the changes in sixteen years have been :

1. The valuation has not quite doubled.
2. The expenses have trebled.
3. The debt has increased ten fold.

The Purpose of By-Laws.

What is the purpose of By-Laws? A superficial examination of any code of By-Laws can not fail to show that through them a Town seeks to regulate its business, and that, as the will of a Town meeting does not execute itself but must be put into effect by individuals, provisions are found to guide the Town's agents in the conduct of the Town's affairs.

Your committee therefore began its labors with an investigation as to how the By-Laws have been interpreted in practice, in order to learn if changes, modifications or additions were needed. Much time has also been spent in consultation with the officials of other towns and in a study of their reports, so that we might submit to this Town the results of the judgment and experience of others who have been working along the same lines toward the same end, namely, a satisfactory and practicable code of rules for the government of a town.

Selectmen and their Duties.

One does not proceed very far in the examination of the Statutes of the Commonwealth and of the By-Laws of Towns to have it clearly established that the office of Selectman is what the title indicates, a selected man. Concerning Selectmen and their duties the Supreme Court has made this statement, and this your committee has used as the basis of its work :

“The management of the prudential affairs of towns necessarily requires the exercise of a large discretion, and it would be quite impossible by positive enactment to place definite limits to the

powers and duties of Selectmen to whom the direction and control of such affairs are entrusted. Speaking generally it may be said that they are agents to take the general superintendence of the business of a town, to supervise the doings of subordinate agents and the disbursement of moneys appropriated by vote of the Town, to take care of its property and perform other similar duties."

As therefore the powers and duties of Selectmen require the exercise of a large discretion and cannot be limited by positive enactment, and as they are the agents to take the general superintendence of the business of the Town, no By-Law can be framed to enforce this broad statement, for a By-Law must be definite and explicit.

It is, however, practicable to embody in By-Laws "the supervision of doings of subordinate agents and the disbursement of the Town's money." It will be noticed that the "supervising of the doings and of the disbursement" is one phrase, and it is not separated into the supervising of the doings as distinct from the supervising of the disbursement.

It has been asserted in the Town with some vehemence that, if a bill is approved by a board or an official of the Town, the Selectmen have no recourse but to draw a warrant at once for its payment. And it is also asserted that an official, elected by the Town, is responsible to the Town alone. But the Townsmen elect, or rather select, men who shall have supervisory powers and duties, and in their charge the Townsmen leave the Town affairs, while they go about their private and personal business with the assurance that, if there are matters requiring their consideration and action, a meeting will be called or other steps taken by the Selectmen to protect the Town's interests.

In accordance with the constant purpose of the Committee, namely, to make it plain that the Selectmen are the chief executive officers of the Town, certain provisions have been inserted in the form of By-Laws, recommended for your adoption, intended to relieve the Selectmen of routine work which can be performed in other ways thus giving them more time for their supervisory duties.

Town Bookkeeper.

It is with a degree of hesitation that the creation of what may seem a new Town office is suggested, for it may cause fears of additional expense. Your committee does not propose to open a bargain counter in Town offices or to offer propositions based primarily on cheapness. Neither is such a statement to be endorsed as this, viz: because it is cheap, therefore it is good. Your Committee does ask, however, a suspension of judgment until certain facts may be stated, for it may be that such a statement will reveal some decided changes that have already taken place and some more that will soon occur, with the result that a system though it has been in use for twenty years, may be shown to be inadequate and a revision needed.

The bookkeeping of the Town is now divided between the clerk of the Selectmen and the Board of Auditors. The duties of neither as defined by statute, call for this work to be done by them.

The statute says that "every board . . in charge of a department or office . . of a town . . shall designate some person as clerk who shall enter all its votes, orders and proceedings in books and shall have the custody of such books." There is nothing here about making the entries, watching the balances and doing the general clerical work incidental to bookkeeping. Such duties are distinct from those of Clerk of the Board of Selectmen.

Again the Auditors under the statute examine the books and accounts, all original bills, and vouchers and report to the Town in writing the result of their examination.

It will be readily seen therefore that in neither case are the duties of these officials as prescribed by statute such as might be reasonably expected from a bookkeeper, one who occupies the same relation to the business of the Town as does a bookkeeper to a concern doing as much business annually as does the Town of Swampscott, say \$150,000. What would be said of a business house of that size that did not have a regularly recognized bookkeeper? It is often said that "the business of a Town cannot be run as one would run his own private business." But

even one who makes such a statement shows that by adopting it, he recognizes that a well regulated and prosperous private business is the ideal which a Town should have in mind when it makes changes to accommodate its methods to the demands of its increasing business.

The present system of accounting in the Town had its origin years ago. During this time, the receipts and expenses, and the debt as well, have increased. Two new lines of business have been inaugurated requiring an invested capital of \$379,000, viz: The Water Department with \$171,000 and the Sewer Department with \$208,000. With the growth of the Town, the problems presented for attention have increased as well. While no statistics are available, it is assumed that there has been an increase in the number of voters whose business takes them out of the Town during the day so that there is less opportunity for them to keep fully informed as to what is being done than if their days were spent in the Town.

To call further attention to the fact that it is not easy for the voters to keep informed upon all that concerns them, also to emphasize the fact that the accounting of the Town is growing to be a matter of some moment, we cite an act that was passed by the General Court last spring requiring towns, and cities also, to furnish annual returns, to the Bureau of Statistics of Labor. The following mention of what the act contains is concise but it will convey some idea of the magnitude of the requirements. It will be evident to all that the statements asked for whether summarized or detailed, will take more than one winter evening to compile, and that under our present system the Town is not equipped to comply readily with the requirements of the laws.

This act provides, and it is not to be assumed that any one can take it in at one reading, that the accounting officer of each city and town shall annually furnish to the Bureau

“ A summarized statement of all revenues and expenses.

A detailed statement of all receipts and disbursements.

Statements of the income and expense for each public industry and of all the costs thereof (expenditures for construction, maintenance and operation being stated separately).

A statement of the public debt, showing for what each item of the debt was created and what provisions have been made for the payment; and finally a statement of all current assets and all current liabilities of the Town at the close of the fiscal year."

It is probable that these requirements will later be extended, for there is a growing disposition to ask for statistics. Year by year the Legislature adds to existing law so that in some department or in some new lines facts are required to be gathered. To say that whether or not there will be in time a law providing for uniform accounting in towns is not within the scope of the report of this Committee, but mention may be made that there is a movement in that line, for it has a bearing on the point now under discussion.

But it is not on account of the passage of the act that the changes in, or rather rearrangements of, the accounting methods of the Town have been suggested. It is on account of the Town itself. It has already been stated in several forms that the supervising of the disbursements is closely connected with the supervising of the doings of the subordinate agents by the Selectmen. No time need be spent to show that through the accounting the Selectmen have a most important avenue for the exercise of their duties. If therefore they are to be held to their full accountability for their stewardship, they must be given every aid and not the least of the aids to be placed at their disposal is that of one whose business it shall be to relieve them of much of the detail; attend to the routine of the financial work; see that contracts are at hand and properly executed before any payments even on account, are made and that subsequent payments are in accordance with the terms of the contracts; that accounts against the Town are properly and correctly rendered; that bonds of indemnity are seasonably obtained, and that the sureties are good and remain so during the continuance of the contract; in short we must provide the Selectmen, our agents, with the services of one on whom they can rely to attend to the detail of the financial routine for the accuracy of which they, and they alone, are responsible.

But the form of By-Laws herewith submitted provides that the Selectmen shall annually "appoint" a competent accountant who shall perform these services, and the question may be asked "why not elect him?" The duties of Town Book-keeper, or better of Town Accountant, are peculiarly personal in the relations to the Selectmen. If the choice is left to the uncertainties of the polls, then in the event that the one chosen does not accomplish the work for which he was elected, there will be divided responsibility. The Selectmen will then disclaim responsibility on the ground of lack of ability on the part of the accountant, and the accountant—well, it matters little what he has to say. Let the Selectmen appoint their own man with a full knowledge of the importance to them that the choice is good, and then let the Town hold them to strict accounting as the Town's agents, for errors, whether of fact or of judgment.

Board of Auditors and Clerk of Selectmen.

It may now be asked what will become of the work heretofore done by the Auditors and the Selectmen's Clerk. These officials will still have their work to perform as provided in the statute. The Selectmen's Clerk will "enter all the votes, orders and proceedings in books and have the custody of such books," as provided in the statute.

The Auditors also have their duties prescribed by the statute. They shall examine the books and accounts of all the Town officers and Committees who are instructed with the receipt, custody, and expenditure of money, and all original bills and vouchers on which money has been or may be paid from the Town Treasury." *This may* be done once a month and *shall* be done once a year and the results reported in writing to the Town. The old By-Laws provided that the auditors should make up the Town report. This is not auditing, but accounting, and should be done by the Town Accountant under the direction of the Selectmen, for it is the report of the doings they supervise. This report should balance that of the Town Treasurer. In the Town report must appear the certificate of the auditors that they have performed their duties including of

course an examination of the Accountant's report. They can also take occasion to make such recommendations and comments as they wish.

Salaries for Certain Officials.

Now a word as to salaries. We recommend that the auditors serve without pay. It may seem a revolutionary suggestion, but it is not made without careful consideration supported with the results of the experience of other towns. The work of the auditors is not merely clerical, seeing whether the amount of the warrant agrees with that of the account which it pays, or whether or not the bookkeeper has made the proper charges. There are broader duties and wider opportunities, requiring a degree of judgment and sagacity the exercise of which is not called for in the checking of vouchers.

What the Town looks for in the Auditor's report is the assurance, not only that the vouchers agree with the warrants which the Treasurer has paid, important as this is, but an expression of confidence that the accounting system is adapted to the business of the Town, that it shows all that it ought to show. Furthermore, if there are improvements that might or ought to be made, the Town looks to the Auditors to indicate them.

The suggestion that the Auditors, to whom this important department of the Town's work is entrusted, shall serve without pay, does not come from parsimony, but from a realization that the quality and ability of the men who ought to do this work is such that the Town can not afford to pay for it. Let us make the office of Auditor a position of trust and responsibility which it is an honor to be asked to fill, and men who will absolutely refuse to allow their names to be used in a contest at the polls, where the amount of the salary is an element, will readily consent to serve the Town, if the call to them is an expression of confidence in their judgment.

At the present moment many a man in private and social life is spending time and strength, thought and energy that through some organization he may be of service to those around him. Such men would scorn a suggestion of remuneration for these

services they are rendering freely and gladly. Their ardor would be checked and their work would suffer, if an intimation were made as to mercenary motives.

The time has certainly not arrived when service to the whole community, requiring no more time or attention than many a one gives to his church, his lodge, his social organization, can not be rendered attractive to those who now, "for the joy of the working," are serving portions of that same community.

Contracts of the Town.

A provision is recommended that "no contract or change of contract or order for labor or materials involving an expenditure of over five hundred dollars from any appropriation, shall be valid until countersigned by a majority of the Board of Selectmen."

As the Selectmen are held accountable for the doings of subordinate agents, it is but fair that the subordinate agents keep the Selectmen informed as to their contracts. This provision does not make the Selectmen a party to the contract, but it does require that your agents, the Selectmen, shall have notice of the expenditure, and then, if they deem it for the interest of the Town, they may take such action as the circumstances warrant. This provision does not deny the particular board or official full credit for an advantageous contract or relieve from blame for a weak or inefficient one.

A further provision requires that contracts, after sufficient advertising, shall be opened publicly and the statute requires that a record be kept of all contracts awarded with the particulars thereof.

Overdrafts.

A troublesome feature of a Town government is the handling of overdrafts. It not infrequently happens that through an unforeseen contingency, the amount of an appropriation is not sufficient and it becomes necessary to incur indebtedness beyond that amount. Who shall determine whether a condition has arisen which warrants the Town being bound? Certainly this

decision shall not be permitted to rest with the officers or board alone, for if that were allowed, it would take the supervising of disbursements out of the hands of the Selectmen. The power to authorize an overdraft therefore should be exercised by the Town or by its agents, the Selectmen only. A margin must be allowed the latter, and this amount is fixed in the form of by-laws herewith submitted, at two hundred dollars. If it shall appear that the proposed overdraft exceeds that amount, then the Town itself must pass on the question.

In this connection, some one may have in mind the provision of the statutes that to certain boards and officials is given the power, in case of unforeseen emergency, to incur expense outside of appropriation. It would be well therefore, when speaking of the general subject of overdrafts, to state that even these emergency provisions in the statute do not take from the Selectmen the duty to see that no unreasonable bills are paid. The duty of the Selectmen to supervise the doings and the disbursements of subordinate agents cannot be avoided or evaded.

Financial Year.

For a number of years, the Town has voted to close the financial year at various dates. Your Committee has sought to learn what the experience of towns generally has been, and we find that while the Town Meeting must by statute be held in February, March or April, the fiscal year may close at any time. Some towns close their books as early as November and others as late as March, but the date most generally favored is January 31st, and that is recommended herewith. Closing the books at this time will allow sufficient time for a careful preparation of the Town Report and will also render unnecessary the closing of the books for weeks as has been the custom. The appropriations however made at the March meeting, will be for the period extending to the next March meeting. It would be the duty of those having the care of appropriations to see that there is sufficient balance January 31st, the close of the financial year, to last until the next annual meeting in March. This system of bookkeeping is adopted too generally and works too well for any practical objection to be raised.

It is also to be noted that a provision is made that each department shall include in its report a statement of all its outstanding and unpaid bills on January 31st.

Committee on Ways and Means.

In order to enforce that principle, already enunciated in various forms, that the Selectmen are the chief executive officers of the Town, and that as such they should be relieved of detail so that they may be held to full accountability for their general stewardship, a provision has been carefully drawn which looks to taking from the Selectmen what has been a burdensome part of their work, namely, investigating proposed appropriations.

This is work for which we ourselves as voters must recognize our responsibility, a responsibility from which we can not escape by saying that it was a duty delegated to some lesser body than the Town meeting. At the same time it must be recognized that a proposition for an appropriation is many sided, and that much time must be spent in getting at the facts and their relation to each other, for not until such relation is established, can one feel that he is voting intelligently.

One who says that a matter can be threshed out at Town meeting, fails to take note of the inquiring attitude of the voters' minds after a warrant is posted and before a meeting is held. How quickly is attention given to one who, in places where men meet and talk, can avoid personalities and speak of the facts based on full information. An observer of the Swampscott Town meeting sees clearly that the voters want facts, but that, if the facts are not forthcoming, in full supply, then personalities, the thrust, the parry, the sneer and the loud guffaw, are too often kept as a reserve force to be brought up to carry the day.

That there is difficulty, even in the Legislature of the Commonwealth, in getting at the facts about a question involving an expenditure of public money or a grant of public property and its relations to the finances of the Commonwealth, is recognized in the rules of the Senate and of the House. The Senate has but forty members and the House has two hundred and forty, and they can take all the time they need, while our Town meeting

frequently has four, five and six hundred present and there is but little time for discussion. All such matters therefore in the legislature are referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and an appointment on that committee is considered an honor.

Among the towns which are revising their by-laws and which are taking advantage of the latest and best experience, we find that a similar provision is made. The powers of the committees in the various towns vary, but the basal thought is the same, namely, the acquisition of facts which shall be the subject of a report on the proposition itself and its relations to the finances of the Town.

We recommend the incorporation of such a provision in the By-Laws of Swampscott.

Provisions as to Committee on Ways and Means.

The number of the Committee is placed at seven, it being sufficiently large to be representative but not so large as to be unwieldy. No provision is made for its appointment, which may therefore be by the Moderator or by a Nominating Committee, or by nominations from the floor. It is provided that no member shall hold any Town office at the time of his appointment, and the reason is twofold. First, the officials and boards have enough to do to spend their appropriations discreetly and prudently without having to consider in addition the relation of that appropriation to the general finances of the Town, and secondly, and it will be evident that more efficient service can be obtained from a Committee the judgment of no one of whose members shall be influenced by the supposed necessities of his particular department.

It is also provided that the members of this Committee shall serve without pay. The question of unpaid service for the community as represented in the Town itself, has already been discussed fully. Is it not a self evident fact that seven men can be found in this community whose opinions on matters of business whether public or private will not only command respect but will be used as a guide to action.

Police Regulations.

But one addition has been recommended in the Police Regulations. This is intended to prevent expense to the Town caused by repairing gravel sidewalks, where they have been washed out in consequence of conductors from eaves emptying directly thereon. We are advised that it is quite an item of expense to the Street Department to repair such damages after heavy rains.

Accounts Against the Town.

It is but fair to give to the Town and to its creditors the same privileges which are freely claimed and granted among business men and in private life, viz: A sufficient time for the examination of bills and accounts presented for payment. The Town Accountant shall submit all bills, after he has examined and approved them, to the Selectmen not later than the second Friday in each month. He may, however, on request of the department, submit them at other times. Pay rolls he shall submit within forty-eight hours after the close of the period covered by them. These provisions protect the Town and also assure the creditors of the Town that by a day certain their accounts, if approved, shall be paid.

Acceptance of New Streets.

Many suggestions have been made that a By-Law be recommended as to the acceptance of new streets, one that shall fix the width and also the construction. Other towns have also wrestled with this problem, which is one fruitful of controversy by reason of many elements entering into consideration of such projects. We learn, however, that no By-Law, passed by any town, has been held to be valid when tested, for the reason that under the statutes of the Commonwealth, towns do not have the right to pass such a By-Law.

Hawkers and Peddlers.

Many suggestions have been offered that some change be made in the By-Laws regarding hawkers and peddlers. Under the law, any one with a state license can hawk or peddle anywhere.

A town may however make regulations and these regulations have to be complied with. Thus the Town can control what at times seems a necessary evil. Provisions are therefore recommended that put these people under the control of the Chief of Police, to whom they must report once a month.

New Legislation Recommended.

It is pertinent to mention two subjects concerning which there is felt to be a need for determination by this and other Towns, but investigation has shown, that until new legislation is enacted, these special needs must remain unsatisfied. There are two in particular to which your attention is called and concerning which action is recommended.

First, the extension of the Australian system of voting so that it may apply to appropriations and any other matters the Towns may wish. It is a common experience that a voice vote, or even a rising vote, frequently does not express or represent the wish of the Town. This feeling is emphasized if one notes the comments as the meeting separates, or even when it is seen that out of an attendance of four, five or even six hundred voters, but a hundred or two and sometimes even a less number are recorded. True, every one present has a right to have his vote recorded, but the anemic or dyspeptic voter is overawed by his neighbor with leather lungs. Again, if for any reason, a voter is not able to remain through a meeting, or is not present at all, and so loses the opportunity of voting by voice, he can, if the Australian system is adopted, have his opportunity with loss of less time, to record his vote on as many subjects as the Town shall decide to put on the ballot.

It may be a matter of surprise to some that, of the voters of Swampscott, nearly one-half, forty-three per cent exactly, have never voted in Town elections in any other way than by the Australian system. Those who had experience under the old system of separate tickets will remember the annoyances which were many. If a voter did not care to vote a straight ticket, it was quite a task for him to get off in a corner by himself and mark the variations he wished. Sometimes a man would have

to take a ballot to his home that he might escape the unsought advice of eager supporters of rival candidates. All these annoyances are now done away through the use of the voting booth where the voter is free from prying eyes. We recommend the extension of the Australian system more generally.

Second, the fixing of the quorum needed at Town Meeting. Under the law, as it now stands, any number of voters, however small, who meet in response to a legal warrant, can bind the Town. While therefore it is the intent of the law that *all* the voters shall attend *all* the meetings, yet experience shows that they don't and they won't and so in theory, they ought not to complain. This is true, to quite an extent, of special Town Meetings. It is generally recognized that a proposition at a special Town Meeting frequently involves a particular interest or a particular locality, and the particular supporters will therefore attend, while those whose particular interests are not affected directly, are not sufficiently concerned as to the relation of the proposition to the general finances of the town to make an effort to attend. It seems well therefore that legislation be passed granting Towns the power to fix by by-law the number to bind a Town by the action of the meeting.

Repeal of Old By-Laws.

The form of By-Laws herewith submitted is not to displace or supersede the old, except so far as some of the provisions of the By-Laws of 1890 are inconsistent with those now submitted. The Acts of the Legislature which took the approval of By-Laws from the Superior Court and placed it in the office of the Attorney General expressly provided that By-Laws that had been approved by the Court should be valid unless disapproved by the Attorney General. Those By-Laws therefore which have proved their usefulness to the Town are not included in the form herewith submitted, which when adopted by the Town, will be passed upon by the Attorney General.

In conclusion your Committee therefore submits herewith the form of By-Laws embodying the changes herein commented

upon. When they are adopted by the Town and their submission to the Attorney General for approval authorized, such of them as are approved by him will become in force after three publications.

September 10, 1906.

JOHN ALBREE,
FRED C. MARSH,
FRANK L. SIMPSON,
DANIEL F. KNOWLTON,

Committee on Revision of Town By-Laws.

Filed in the office of the Town Clerk, September 10, 1906.

MILTON D. PORTER.

Town Clerk.

**Statutes and Acts accepted by the Town since the Revision
of the By-Laws in 1890.**

Chapter 386, Acts of 1890. An act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for Town elections at the public expense.

Accepted December 1, 1890.

Chapter 154, Acts of 1882. An act authorizing Towns and Cities to lay out public parks within their limits.

Accepted March 20, 1893.

Chapter 16, Acts of 1894. An act relative to the election of surveyors of highways.

Accepted March 29, 1894.

Sections 40 to 48, both inclusive, Chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to steam engines, furnaces and boilers.

Accepted March 21, 1894.

Chapter 293, Acts 1898. An act relative to the purchase and sale of the property of the Marblehead Water Company.

Accepted July 25, 1898.

Chapter 50 of Public Statues, relative to Sewers, drains and sidewalks.

Accepted December 4, 1899.

Sections 1 to 7, both inclusive, Chapter 245, Acts of 1892. An act to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers.

Accepted December 4, 1899.

Chapter 344, Acts of 1899. An act to make eight hours a day's work for city and town employees.

Accepted March 19, 1900.

Chapter 330 of Acts of 1899. An act to codify and amend the laws relative to the preservation of trees.

Accepted April 18, 1900.

Chapter 86 of Acts of 1902. An act to authorize the Town of Swampscott to construct a system of sewerage.

Accepted March 5, 1902.

Chapter 427 of Acts of 1901. An act to provide for the abatement of the smoke nuisance.

Accepted March 17, 1902.

Chapter 401, Acts of 1903. An act to authorize the Town of Swampscott to make an additional sewerage loan, and to construct particular sewers in any public street or way.

Accepted July 22, 1903.

Chapter 103 of Revised Laws, relating to the supervision of plumbing.

Accepted January 11, 1904.

Chapter 49 of Revised Laws relating to sewers, drains and sidewalks.

Accepted March 24, 1904.

Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Chapter 101 of Revised Laws relating to Common Nuisances.

Accepted March 24, 1904.

Sections 20 and 21, Chapter W5 of Revised Laws relating to Public Baths.

Accepted, March 24, 1904.

Chapter 346, Acts of 1902. An act to provide that Moderators of Town Meetings be elected for terms of one year.

Accepted, March 21, 1906.

As the revised by-laws are being printed in pamphlet form for distribution, it was not considered necessary to print them here.

Voted, that the By-laws as amended be accepted and adopted, and that Messrs. John Albree, Daniel F. Knowlton, Fred C. Marsh and Frank L. Simpson be a committee authorized and empowered to present the same to the Attorney General as provided by law, and also that they be authorized as a committee to publish them upon approval of the Attorney General and in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen to prepare the complete By-laws and publish in pamphlet form 1000 copies for distribution.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

Approval of By-laws.

October 11, 1906.

These revised by-laws are approved except so much of Section 5 of Article 1 as applies to Sections 1 to 5 inclusive of Article 6, and the last three lines of Section 1 of Article 4 beginning with the words "and shall be authorized to summon," and all of Section 6 of Article 6, which are disapproved.

DANA MALONE,

Attorney General.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.***State Election, November 6, 1906.****TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in
said County,* **GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the sixth day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said November, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen, on one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Councillor for the Fifth Essex District, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Senator First Essex District, Representative in Congress, Clerk of Courts, Two Representatives in General Court for Twelfth Essex District, County Commissioner, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds Southern Essex District.

The polls to be kept open until 4.30 o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attest copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and through other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of October, 1906, the year nineteen hundred and six.

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
JOHN R. MERRITT,

Selectmen of Swampscott.

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

Return on the Warrant.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and twenty-five other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott on Monday, the twenty-ninth day of October, 1906. The posting of said notices being at least, seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock A. M. by Allen H. Cole, chief presiding election officer.

The following were qualified by the Clerk: James H. Boulton, Special Election Officer; Fred C. Marsh and Willis . Paul, Ballot Clerks; Frank V. Porter, Herbert W. Webster, Richard E. Melzard, Lyndon B. Jeffers, Francis S. Oliver, Robert B. Wardwell, Jr. (Rep.), Albert A. Stone, John F. Brennan, John T. McDermott, William F. Norcross, Sidney I. Shattuck, Frank D. Thurston (Dem.), Tellers.

The polls closed at 4.30 P. M., 884 ballots cast.

At 5.37 P. M. the following result was declared :

Governor.

Samaliel Bradford, of Wellesley	7
James F. Carey, of Haverhill	16
William H. Carroll, of Boston	1
Curtis Guild, Jr. of Boston	563
John B. Moran, of Boston	272
Blanks	25

Lieutenant-Governor.

E. Gerry Brown, of Brockton	276
Hervey S. Gowell, of Ashburnham	19
Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale	524
Walter J. Hoar, of Worcester	9
John F. Mullen, of Fitchburg	9
Blanks	47

Secretary.

Joao Claudino, of New Bedford	2
Jonathan S. Lewis, of Stoneham	18
Ambrose Miles, of Lynn	18
William M. Olin, of Boston	601
Charles C. Paine, of Barnstable	177
Blanks	68

Treasurer.

Arthur B. Chapin, of Holyoke	59
George B. Cushman, of Brockton	1
S. Frederick French, of Mansfield	1
George M. Harrigan, of Lowell	17
David F. Richardson, of Lynn	1
Blanks	7

Auditor.

Albert Barnes, of Fall River	
Thomas L. Hisgen, of West Springfield	16
Fred L. Johnson, of Lynn	2
James F. Pease, of Merrimac	1
Henry E. Turner, of Malden	57
Blanks	9

Attorney-General.

Allen Coffin, of Nantucket	2
Dana Malone, of Greenfield	56
Arthur E. Reimer, of Boston	
John Weaver Sherman, Boston	1
John A. Thayer, of Worcester	19
Blanks	7

Representative in Congress.

Augustus P. Gardner, of Hamilton	52
John F. Putnam, of Danvers	11
George A. Scofield, of Ipswich	29
Blanks	4

Councillor.

Lewis H. Bartlett, of Lynn	58
Frank H. Hills, of Salem	17
Harry G. Wright, of Salem	21
Blanks	11

Senator.

James A. Gardner, of Lynn	52
Maurice J. Lauziere, of Lynn	10
Michael F. Phelan, of Lynn	337
William R. Salter, of Lynn	426
Blanks	59

Representatives in General Court.

Casimir Cloutier, of Lynn	17
William E. Dorman, of Lynn	487
Washington King, of Lynn	19
James T. Lyons, of Swampscott	249
John J. Mooney, of Lynn	111
George H. Newhall, of Lynn	541
Blanks	344

County Commissioner.

Charles S. Grieves, of Amesbury	22
James C. Poor, of North Andover	589
Fred G. Richards, of Rockport	168
Blanks	105

Clerk of Courts.

Edward B. George, of Haverhill	667
Blanks	217

Register of Deeds.

Robert A. Amend, of Danvers	31
Willard J. Hale, of Newburyport	685
Blanks	168

County Treasurer.

John J. Lavigne, of Beverly	24
James O. Parker, of Methuen	160
David I. Robinson, of Gloucester	587
Blanks	113

Meeting dissolved at 5.50 P. M.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

Recount of ballots cast at State Election, Nov. 6, 1906, for Senator 1st, Essex District.

Recount of the ballots cast for Senator having been called for. The Board of Registrars met on Nov. 10, 1906, and canvassed and recounted said ballots with the following result.

Michael F. Phelan of Lynn, 335; William R. Salter of Lynn 434.

For the Board of Registrars of Voters.

MILTON D. PORTER,
Clerk.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting, Dec. 22, 1906.

TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

To either the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in said County,
GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massschusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Saturday, the twenty-second day of December, current, at 7.30 o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will appropriate eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the current year for the use of the School Department.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the use of the Board of Health.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will appropriate seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the use of the Selectmen's Department.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will appropriate seven hundred dollars (\$700) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the use of the Cemetery Department.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the use of the Poor Department.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for Soldiers' Relief.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will appropriate two hundred dollars (\$200) in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the use of the Town Hall Department, so-called.

ART. 9. To see what action the Town will take in determining how this money shall be raised.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to pay the bill for clerical work, contracted by the Board of Assessors, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will accept the plan and description prepared by the Sewer Committee defining Section 2, in accordance with Chapter 401 of the Acts of the year 1903, and instruct the Sewer Committee to assess in the same manner the average price per foot on all sewer and drain connections in said Section 2 as in Section 1.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to include in Section 1 for the construction of particular sewers and connecting drains, Hardy road and Franklin avenue, and instruct the Sewer Committee to assess in the same manner and at the same prices all sewer connections on above named streets in accordance with the average cost before determined upon in Section 1.

ART. 13. To see what action the Town will take toward allowing certain houses situated within the limits of the City of Lynn to be connected with sewer in Hillside avenue.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and six.

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
JOHN R. MERRITT,
Selectmen of Swampscott.

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

Return on the Warrant.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed. I have notified the legal voters by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots and twenty-five other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott, on Saturday, the fifteenth of December 1906, the posting of said notices being at least, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,
Constable.

Meeting called to order by the Clerk at 7.30 P. M. James T. Lyons, as checker, and M. E. Neis and Wm. H. Bates as Tellers — were duly sworn, when on balloting,

Daniel F. Knowlton was elected Moderator, receiving 72 votes, to 21 for Edmund Russell.

ART. 2. Voted, To accept and adopt this Article, and appropriate \$8,000.

ART. 3. Motion to accept and adopt this Article was lost.

ART. 4. Voted, To accept and adopt this Article and appropriate \$750.

ART. 5. Voted, To accept and adopt Article 5 and appropriate \$700.

ART. 6. Voted, To accept and adopt Article 6 and appropriate \$500.

ART. 7. Voted, To accept and adopt this Article and appropriate \$500.

ART. 8. Voted, To accept and adopt this Article and appropriate \$200.

ART. 9. Voted, That the Town Treasurer under the direction of the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized and directed to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$11,000 upon the promissory note or notes of the Town, the said sum to be paid from the taxes of the year 1907, the said sum to be applied to the payment of the amounts voted under Arts. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, of the Warrant calling this meeting.

ART. 10. Voted to accept and adopt Art. 10 and appropriate \$58 for the same, to be taken from the Selectmen's Department.

ART. 11. Voted, That the Town hereby accept Section 2 as outlined in the report of the Sewer Commissioners filed with the Town Clerk, and as also outlined upon the plan referred to in said report and filed with the Town Clerk, and that within said Section 2 the Sewer Commissioners shall determine the average cost of connecting sewers and drains separately and shall assess the cost for such Connecting Sewers and Drains upon the estates benefited, and when so assessed by the Sewer Commissioners, such assessment shall constitute a lien upon the property thus benefited in the same manner as other sewer assessments, in accordance with Chapter 401 of the year 1903.

ART. 12. Voted, That Hardy Road and Franklin Ave. be added to Section 1, of the plan designated as plan of Swampscott Mass., showing divisions into sections for assessments upon Particular Sewers and Connecting Drains drawn by E. Worthington, Eng., dated, July, 1903, and that the assessments for Particular Sewers and Connecting Drains be made in the same manner and at same price as on other streets in said Sec. 1.

ART. 13. Voted, To accept and adopt this article, and to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to confer with the authorities of the City of Lynn in regard to the matter, and to report at the next annual Town meeting.

The following Resolutions offered by Mr. M. E. Nies were accepted and adopted:

WHEREAS, Recent conditions in official departments tending to delay payment of salaries due our efficient corps of Teachers, and other school officials, and

WHEREAS, Such delay would have caused hardships and annoyance to many of them in view of the Christmas holidays, now, upon us, to say nothing of the unenviable comment to which our Town would be subject.

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the citizens in Town Meeting assembled, tender a vote of thanks to our fellow-citizen, Mr. Charles S. Haskell, for his prompt and public-spirited action in

personally advancing the sum of \$2,200 without charge of any kind to our School Board of the Town, in order that all interested might be paid in full.

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread on the Records.

Voted, To dissolve the meeting.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Town Clerk's Statistics.

Births Recorded.

Males, 65; females, 61. Total, 126.

Nativity of Fathers—Massachusetts, 57: Italy, 15; Canada, 14; Maine, 9; Newfoundland, 7; New Hampshire, 6; England, and New York, 5 each; Ireland, 3; Washington, D. C., Pennsylvania, Michigan, Illinois and Alabama, 1 each.

Nativity of Mothers—Massachusetts, 51; Canada, 24; Italy, 14, Newfoundland and Ireland, 7 each; New York, 6; New Hampshire, 5; Maine, 4; England, 3; Vermont, New Jersey, Illinois, Germany and Missouri, 1 each.

Fathers born in Swampscott, 18; mothers, 8.

Marriages Recorded, 57.

In January, 2; February, 3; March, 3; April, 3; May, 4; June, 9; July 3; August, 4; September, 8; October, 7; November, 6; December, 5.

Nativity of Grooms—Massachusetts, 30; Canada, 7; New Hampshire and Italy, 4 each; Maine and England, 3 each; Virginia, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Scotland and Greece, 1 each.

Nativity of Brides—Massachusetts, 36; Maine, 4; England, Ireland, Canada and Italy, 3 each; New Hampshire, 2; Nebraska, Florida and Scotland, 1 each.

Grooms born in Swampscott, 3.

Brides born in Swampscott, 7.

Deaths Recorded.

Males, 43; females, 33. Total, 76.

In January, 9; February, 4; March, 7; April, 13; May, 7; June, 3; July, 6; August, 6; September, 7; October, 4; November, 2; December, 8.

Under 5 years, 22; 5 to 10, 0; 10 to 20, 3; 20 to 30, 4; 30 to 40, 4; 40 to 50, 9; 50 to 60, 5; 60 to 70, 10; 70 to 80, 12; 80 to 90, 7; over 90, 0.

Eighty Years of age and over—Charles Pelham Curtis, 82 yrs. 1 mo. 20 days, nephritis; Lucy Jane Roberts, 84 years, 5 mo. 18 days, pneumonia; Luther Linwood Pettingell, 85 yrs. 10 mo. 9 days, Bright's disease; Judith Hooper Honors, 87 yrs. 4 mo. 19 days, pneumonia; Hannah Mayo Snow, 87 yrs. 5 mo. 0 days, pneumonia; Hiram H. Wardwell, 87 yrs. 5 mo. 22 days, senile asthenia; Mary M. Gerrish, 89 yrs. 1 mo. 18 days, senility.

Dogs Licensed.

Males, 231. Females, 61. Total, 292. One Kenn
License at \$25.00.

Licenses Issued to Junk Dealers.

Ten at \$10 each.

Peddlers of Foreign Fruits, etc.

Seven at \$2 each.

Pool Table Licenses.

Two at \$2 each.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

Jury List.

Prepared and posted by the Selectmen, for the consideration of
the Town at the Annual Meeting, March 18, 1907.

Ashton, Herman F.	.	.	.	Manufacturer
Bain, Wellesley W.	.	.	.	Painter
Bassett, Frank H.	.	.	.	Salesman
Beckett, Daniel C.	.	.	.	Plumber
Bemis, William W.	.	.	.	Salesman
Blanchard, Horace W.	.	.	.	Superintendent
Brackett, Samuel G.	.	.	.	Retired
Buckley, Charles H.	.	.	.	Merchant
Burgess, Charles V.	.	.	.	Architect
Burnham, Eli H.	.	.	.	Retired.
Butcher, J. Watson	.	.	.	Carpenter
Cahoon, L. Herbert	.	.	.	Clerk
Call, Edward E.	.	.	.	Clerk
Cann, John W.	.	.	.	Shoemaker
Caton, James F.	.	.	.	Manufacturer
Chase, Charles A.	.	.	.	Salesman
Clay, George F.	.	.	.	Shoemaker
Clough, A. Wesley	.	.	.	Retired
Cutcheon, James C.	.	.	.	Merchant
Conner, George M.	.	.	.	Shoemaker
Daniels, Frank W.	.	.	.	Retired
Delano, Gilbert	.	.	.	Carpenter
Douglass, Henry E.	.	.	.	Fisherman
Douglass, Rodney A.	.	.	.	Lobsterman
Drew, John G.	.	.	.	Retired
Edgerly, I. Irving	.	.	.	Superintendent

Ellis, Frank O.	. . .	Retired
Finney, Winslow	. . .	Shoemaker
Galeucia, Nathaniel	. . .	Retired
Gardner, William N.	. . .	Carpenter
Hardy, Elmer A.	. . .	Salesman
Haskell, Charles H.	. . .	Real estate
Heath, George A.	. . .	Machinist
Hodgkins, Elias G.	. . .	Merchant
Hutt, William D.	. . .	Agent
Iverson, William E.	. . .	Machinist
Jackson, Charles T.	. . .	Shoemaker
Jeffers, Charles P.	. . .	Druggist
Johnson, Frank E.	. . .	Shoemaker
Knowlton, Daniel F.	. . .	Machinist
Kendrick, Seth C.	. . .	Policeman
Keefe, John F.	. . .	Clerk
Larkin, Arthur W.	. . .	Retired
Melzard, George F.	. . .	Foreman
Melzard, Ralph	. . .	Clerk
Melzard, Richard E.	. . .	Electrician
Nies, Martin	. . .	Willow ware
Nesbett, David W.	. . .	Clerk
Nesbett, J. E. O.	. . .	Clerk
Phippen, Charles H.	. . .	Plumber
Phillips, James E.	. . .	Painter
Rich, Benjamin F.	. . .	Laundryman
Russell, Edmund	. . .	Painter
Spaulding, Edwin G.	. . .	Watchman
Taylor, James L.	. . .	Barber
Whitcomb, Otis A.	. . .	Salesman
Wiley, Edwin F.	. . .	Mason
Widger, James H.	. . .	Expressman

Report of the Selectmen.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

In greeting our fellow citizens as your servants, we do so with thanks for the hearty support we have received.

We feel we have at all times acted for the best interests of the citizens in carrying out the various matters submitted to us. The Board of Selectmen are practically an executive board as citizens are aware, whose principal duties are to carry out the details of all matters submitted to them by vote of the Town.

We feel we can point with at least some degree of pride to many matters we have had intrusted to this department for consideration. We consider we can do no better at the close of our official year, than to suggest from the words of last year's Board, to study carefully every business matter and keep the taxes as low as possible.

Joanna Morse Fund.

The Treasurer has received from the Executor of the estate of Joanna Morse the sum of \$5,021.17. The income from this fund to be devoted to the purchase of books for the Town Library. The generosity of Mrs. Morse in remembering our Town, we trust will be an incentive to others, who have the welfare of our Library at heart. We feel some provision should be made for a building, devoted entirely for Library purposes. The present rooms occupied by the Library are entirely inadequate for its use, and are needed for the Town officials, who now have no office in the Town Hall.

Town Accountant.

Recognizing the By-Laws, we did not think it for the best interest of the Town to appoint an accountant, our unexpired term of office being so short.

In our judgment it is best this appointment should be made annually by the incoming Board.

Danvers Street Bridge.

After consulting with the Surveyor of Highways, it was decided to ask the advice of one of our citizens, Mr. William A. Lydston, who is in the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad, as Superintendent of Bridges. The Selectmen met with him on three occasions and it was decided that the work should be done by the Railroad under the direction of Mr. Lydston. This work was carried out in a very expeditious manner consuming only one day, and was done at the low cost of \$515.91. It is the opinion of the Selectmen, that the bridge was never in a better condition.

Cemetery.

During the past year, nine lots have been cleared, and are now ready for sale. As this portion was very rocky, the cost was much larger than previous lots. We would recommend that a committee be appointed to report upon the advisability of plotting out the entire grounds, so that in following years, the work of laying out lots can be done in a systematic manner, also that an appropriation for the same be made.

Continuous Sidewalks.

The citizens can appreciate the idea of continuous sidewalks from the work done the past year. We would recommend an appropriation of \$1,000 for the present year, and that work commence at the Winnepesikett Club and continue to the Hay Scales on Humphrey street. Also, that work commence at Monument avenue and continue up the southerly side of Monument avenue and Elmwood road to Sheridan road, also from the

Monument along the northerly side of Monument avenue to the Church of the Holy Mame, or so far as the appropriation will permit.

Essex Avenue.

This street has been built as voted by the Town, and appears to meet with the approval of those interested.

Orient Street Improvement.

During the past year, the work called for in last year's Warrant was carried out at an expense of \$887.50. The Selectmen have received a petition from the Estate of Giles H. Lodge, asking that the street in front of their estate be widened to fifty feet. After consulting with the abutters it was decided to lay out that portion of Orient Street between the Lodge estate and Humphrey square. The Selectmen have had a plan of the same made, have given hearings, and have laid out the street accordingly. We believe this work can be done at a reasonable cost as the heirs of the Lodge estate agree to give the land for the widening. This matter will appear in the Warrant under the heading: "To see if the Town will accept a portion of Orient Street, as laid out by the Selectmen."

Beattie Memorial Ambulance.

The very acceptable gift of Mrs. R. F. Beattie, known as the Beattie Memorial Ambulance, has met the requirements of the townspeople the past year. Twenty-three calls for ambulance purposes have been made, conveying injured and sick to their homes and hospitals.

It has not been deemed advisable the past year to use this beautiful ambulance for intoxicated cases.

As there was no appropriation for care and maintenance, bills amounting to \$75 remain unpaid. We recommend an appropriation of \$200 for the coming year, which will include the payment of these bills, and the purchase of a new harness.

Town Fences.

During the past year the sum of \$621.16 was expended from this department.

As there is much need that this work be continued, we recommend that the sum of \$400, be appropriated this year.

The sum of \$450 was spent in the raising of the cap stone and building the fence along Humphrey street. As this fence is in a very conspicuous place, the Selectmen decided on an iron fence which we think presents a very finished effect.

We wish to call attention to the Town Hall yard, and suggest that a two rail iron pipe fence be erected around the grounds. In summer it is impossible to keep people from crossing the lawn, and the result is that a path is worn through the grass, defacing the rest of the lawn. This appears to be the only solution, and we recommend an appropriation for the work.

New Flag Staff.

One noticable change about the Town Hall grounds during the past year has been the erection of a new flag pole deemed necessary owing to the unsafe condition of the old one which upon examination was found to be very much decayed and to delay the matter longer in its dangerous condition exposed to the high winds and storms of winter may have caused trouble at some time to the public.

Our new flag pole is some ten feet higher then the old one, and with the new flag of liberal proportions is something of a patriotic landmark to remind the passer-by of the seat of government of a good old New England town.

Humphrey Street.

It must be apparent to the average citizen that this street is quite too narrow for the principal thoroughfare of the Town. It certainly is very much congested during the summer season from a point beginning where the boulevard leaves off and extending to a point opposite the Swampscott Club House. We cannot make any direct recommendations on this matter but would it not be advisable for the Town if in their judgment they think the time may come in the near future for a widening of this street to have some committee delegated to consult the State Highway Commission and report later as to how this commission could

advise and whether or no the State would ever consider extending the boulevard beyond its present terminus towards the parkway of the town.

Pine Street School Building.

An appropriation of three hundred dollars was made at the last Annual Town Meeting and a Committee consisting of the Chairman of this board, Mr. Cole; one citizen the Rev. George A. Jackson, and the Commander of General, James L. Bates, Post 118, G. A. R. John R. Merritt to expend the money in fitting up the building for the exclusive use of the Grand Army, and its auxilliaries so long as they remain an organization.

We will say the work has been done so far as the money would go and the result is a really beautiful Memorial room which the old soldiers are taking much pride in. Three hundred dollars was hardly a large enough sum for the work, and the Grand Army has spent something over a hundred dollars in addition to the Town's appropriation a part of which was given by the Woman's Relief Corps.

The Auditor's report will show the Committee have expended of the Town's money about two hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

A record book the gift of four of our patriotic citizens is in this room and when fully written up will contain the name of every member of the G. A. R. his service and also the roster of the 208 men, who enlisted on the Town's quota in the Civil War, and in addition to this record the Grand Army expect to be able as they have to some extent to secure the pictures of a large number of the men eventually to be handed down to the Town, for all time.

Board of Health.

The committee appointed by the Town, April 24, 1906, consisting of the Selectmen and two citizens for the purpose of examining the books, records and papers of the Board of Health, made several appointments with the Board for this purpose, which were not kept by the Board, and the Committee in order

to have access to the same were obliged to appeal to the courts for a writ of Mandamus to compel them to allow this, which was granted by the courts. The Committee made its investigation and a report to the Town, with recommendations that the Board of Health be removed from office. The Board refused to abide by the vote of the Town and Quo Warranto proceedings were begun by the Town to declare the office vacant. Judge Hammond decided that they could not be removed and an appeal was taken to the Full Bench, which sustained Judge Hammond's decision. We have refused to acknowledge the following bills approved by the Board of Health. W. H. Carroll, \$193, W. R. Patten, \$58 for fumigation, as in our judgment the charges are exorbitant for services rendered. The bill of Michael McDonough for \$550 for a pipe drain and filling between the estates of George T. Melzard and Mrs. Sarah Marshall, off Orient street, was also refused payment by advice of counsel on the ground that the Board of Health had exceeded its authority in ordering the work done. Suits have been entered against the Town for the collection of these claims.

Haley Claim.

The bill of Michael Haley for storage was refused payment. This bill had been before the Town at the Annual Meeting and the Town had voted not to pay same. Suit has also been entered for this claim.

Bids.

The following bids were received, and contracts awarded as follows:

Removal of ledge and grading on Orient street—M. McDonough, \$815; James T. Lyons, \$560. Awarded to Lyons.

Concrete—J. B. Harris, forty-five cents; J. H. McLaughlin, forty-three cents; skimming, twenty-five cents. Awarded to McLaughlin.

Rail fence and wall Humphrey street—James C. Emerson, \$517; James T. Lyons, \$530; W. A. Delory, \$440. Awarded to Delory.

Curbstone—Dearborn Bros. & Co.—Straight, seventy-two cents per foot; champered, seventy-five cents; circle, ninety-two cents. No other bid.

Coal—B. O. Honors & Son—Egg, \$6.50; broken, \$6.25; Cumberland, \$4.50. No other bid.

Painting Town Hall and Police Station—John C. Thomas & Son, \$230; L. F. Kezer, \$210; George H. Lampard, \$197.50. Awarded to Lampard.

Removing ledge at Cemetery—Felix Marino—Blasting, \$1.65; filling, forty cents per load; James T. Lyons, blasting, \$1.60; filling, twenty-five cents. Awarded to Lyons.

Flag pole—H. Pigeon & Sons, \$255. No other bid.

Highway Building—Levi Hudson, \$765; W. J. Waters, \$700. Awarded to Waters.

Relaying stage floor—J. W. Butcher, \$30; Peleg Gardner, \$30; Gilbert Delano, \$25; George H. Doane, \$25. Awarded to Doane.

After consulting the various boards, the following appropriations are recommended for the various departments, for the current year :

Highway	\$11,000
School	33,000
Selectmen's	5,500
Poor	2,500
Police	5,800
Fire, receipts and	8,200
Library, receipts, dog tax and	800
Street lights	10,000
Cemetery	1,000
Sidewalks	800
Town Hall, receipts and	1,400
Crushing stone	1,500
Catch Basins and Gutters	1,000
Curbstone	500
Re-setting Curbstone	100
Memorial Day	200

Care of Monument Lot	30
Tree Warden	350
Street Watering	3,500
Water Rates	1,200
Health	4,500
Soldiers' Relief	2,400
Park	1,500
Care Brooks	300
Care Snow	1,500
State Tax (estimated)	12,000
County Tax (estimated)	11,000
Interest (estimated)	5,500
Interest Sewer Bonds	7,500
Sewer Maintenance	4,500
Sewer Bonds	4,600

Recommendations.

Few citizens are probably aware that the Town practically owns no sidewalk on either corner of Humphrey and Redington streets. The same condition exists at the corner of Burrill and Essex streets adjoining the estate of Ebenezer Burrill, although by kindness of the owners, the land has been occupied as such.

We have had plans prepared, which will be submitted to the Town meeting, so that conditions can be seen. We recommend that a Committee be appointed to investigate and report at an adjourned meeting and that an appropriation be made for the improvement.

We recommend that the sum of \$100, be appropriated to repair the sea wall adjoining the estate of S. Vorenberg.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
JOHN R. MERRITT,

Selectmen of Swampscott.

Report of the School Committee.

To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:

The School Committee began the last fiscal year with an inadequate appropriation to meet with the constantly growing expenses of the School Department. Notwithstanding the fact that a new eight-room school building was to be equipped and opened and the Department sustained for a period of thirteen months instead of twelve the appropriation was not increased.

The School Committee began the year with constant efforts to keep the expenses down without placing any obstacles in the way of the proper development of the schools. Whenever an opportunity presented itself to lessen expense without injury to the educational system it was promptly accepted. The lack of funds necessitated much neglect in the direction of repairs, and work which should have been done last summer was postponed to another year.

The most important feature of the work of the past year was the opening of the new Clarke School, a modern eight-room structure which has very satisfyingly met the needs for which it was built. It was expected that but six of the rooms would be occupied at the opening of the fall term but such was the increase in registration that the use of the remaining two rooms was demanded and they were consequently occupied.

The opening of the new school entailed a large amount of expense for which no provision had been made outside of the regular appropriation. New seats and desks costing nearly \$1,100 were a part of this expense. Previous to the opening of the school the grades which were transferred there had been

exchanging books with other grades. The transfer to the new building demanded almost all new books, another expense of an unusual nature. Clocks, teachers' desks, settees, and a large amount of other paraphernalia had to be purchased in order to properly equip the building. The services of a janitor holding an engineer's license and many more tons of coal than had hitherto been used were still further expense. All this was paid from the appropriation of \$26,000 granted by the Town. The grading of the school yard was nearly all paid from a special appropriation of \$300.

In years past the supplies of the school have been bought more or less promiscuously. This year the school committee determined to secure an estimate of the needs for the year and invite bids. Never having been done before the work of securing a list was very arduous and several weeks elapsed before it was in proper shape to submit to the firms dealing in school supplies. Bids were invited from a number of them and the contract was awarded to J. L. Hammett Co. of Boston. A large saving was made and this method will be followed during the coming year.

With the hope of bringing the educational system up to the highest possible standard the School Committee secured the services of Prof. William J. Pelo as superintendent of schools. He had been highly recommended by many leading educators and although the salary he demanded was somewhat in excess of what the School Committee had been paying it felt that the educational system would be more than proportionately improved.

The work of Mr. Pelo during the past six months has been closely watched by the school committee and it believes that a few years of his services will show most satisfactory results. Re-organization along modern lines is necessarily slow and will take some time for development. No radical departures have been made, the School Committee and Mr. Pelo deeming it advisable to improve gradually and with thoroughness.

After seeking and obtaining advice from men who have made a business of school work the committee decided that it would be of incalculable benefit to the department to maintain a system of

bookkeeping of its own and Mr. Stubbs of the committee was elected secretary with instructions to open a set of books. The accounts of the department have therefore been carefully kept with much benefit to the committee the members of which are now able to know just what the financial condition of the school department is at any moment. This system will prove of incalculable benefit in the future, if continued, for every bill is copied in detail, making comparisons a very simple matter. Mr. Stubbs' report is given elsewhere in the reports of the school department.

With the population of Swampscott constantly increasing it must be plain that within a very few years the question of still another new school building will arise. There is a possibility that it will be needed two years hence and it would therefore be well for the citizens to have this matter in mind and be in somewhat of a state of preparedness when we are face to face with the proposition.

Following the instructions of a law passed by the legislature last year the school committee had the pupils of all the schools examined by physicians and the results obtained reported to the Superintendent. The School Committee believes that medical examination in the schools should be continued at regular intervals and will go further with the matter as soon as its position with relation to the law has been more clearly defined.

When Miss Bill, the music and drawing teacher, resigned after sixteen years of meritorious service it was decided to separate the two positions believing that much better results could be obtained. Next year there will therefore be supervisors of drawing and of music, the incumbents in these positions to devote two days each week to the Swampscott schools.

In taking account of stock of the supplies on hand last summer the rather careless method of caring for the supplies was observed and rectified. It had always been the custom to store supplies in the basement of the Phillips school building but not under lock and key. In consequence a considerable quantity of paper in packages and loose, had been strewn about. Large closets were constructed with locks and the accumulated paper of

several years was used up before the new supplies were touched.

No supplies are now given out to any of the schools without a written order from the superintendent. Heretofore there had been more or less of a help-yourself plan which to say the least was unbusinesslike.

Although every effort was made to prevent an increase in the teachers' staff at the opening of the fall term it was found utterly impossible and one teacher was added to the regular staff. If the registration next fall increase in a like proportion to last year it is probable that another will have to be added.

One of the pleasant features of the year was the presentation to the Clarke school of a magnificent oil painting of the late Jonas Bowen Clarke by surviving members of his family. Exercises were held at the school building of an appropriate nature and they were much enjoyed by a large gathering of the people of the town.

S. PERRY CONGDON,
A. W. STUBBS.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Members of the School Committee of the Town of Swampscott:

During the early part of last year the members of the School Committee took under consideration a proposition to open a set of books, believing some system of keeping the accounts absolutely necessary in order that the committee should at all times be familiar with the financial conditions of its department. In past years recourse to the books of the clerk of the Selectmen had been necessary if any information concerning payments was desired. The cost of school supplies in detail could be obtained only with considerable difficulty and comparison of prices in different years was a work of much research.

Late in April the committee took action by instructing the secretary to open such books as he should deem necessary to keep the committee thoroughly informed upon all matters pertaining to the receipts and expenditures of the School Department. Although the work was started several months after the opening of the fiscal year its usefulness has been fully demonstrated and as years pass its value will be more and more enhanced.

To Clerk Rowell of the Board of Selectmen the Secretary is much indebted for assistance. Mr. Rowell placed the selectmen's accounts of the School Department at the disposal of the Secretary and he was thereby enabled to secure the figures of all the payments from the beginning of the year to the time of opening the books.

It is the belief of the School Committee that the citizens of the town should be thoroughly informed upon the disposition of the

school appropriation and that every possible means should be taken to clearly explain financial conditions. As servants of the town it is the duty of the members of the School Committee to give the widest possible publicity to its acts.

The books of the School Committee were closed on February 1 for the year and every detail of expenditure since they were opened is on record for future use. These various expenditures have been classified and it is the purpose of the Secretary to herewith present such figures as shall give the citizens of Swampscott a general understanding as to the various uses of the appropriations granted the School Committee during the past year.

**Financial Statement of School Department for Year
Ending January 31, 1907.**

RECEIPTS.

March appropriation . . .	\$26,000 00
December appropriation . . .	8,000 00
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Total	\$34,000 00

EXPENSES.

Salaries	\$22,916 12
Books	1,374 31
Supplies	1,328 74
Light	23 09
Miscellaneous	322 12
Repairs and cleaning	894 87
Furniture and furnishings	1,396 63
Fuel	1,976 35
Printing	149 55
Insurance	541 00
Water	262 00
Rent	450 00
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	31,634 78
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Balance on hand February 1, 1907	\$2,365 22

The salary item includes all money paid to employees of the school department, regular and substitute teachers, principals, superintendent, janitors and secretary. Beginning in September last the School Committee inaugurated the practice of dividing the salary list into ten payments instead of twelve as heretofore. This change was made because of the fact that the work of the employes of the School Department ends the last of June and is not again taken up until the first of September. Previous to last September it had been the custom of the School Committee to pay the July salaries in June and the August salaries in September. This led to a large number of complications and much inconvenience for many teachers wanted both July and August for use on their vacations. Nearly every city and town pay their teachers on a basis of ten months or forty weeks. The salaries of all the regular employees of the department will be found elsewhere.

The books item of \$1,374.31 is a trifle larger than it would have been had it not been for the opening of the new Clarke School. Grades were transferred to this building which had been exchanging books with the pupils of other grades in the same building. This made the purchase of an unusually large amount of new books necessary.

The item of supplies is probably nearly if not quite normal and will probably increase as the schools continue to grow larger. The item of light needs no explanation.

The miscellaneous account of \$322.12 contains \$150.00 paid to the city of Lynn for tuition. A large portion of the remainder is for express, telephones and cleaning vaults.

The item of repairs and cleaning includes all carpentering, plumbing and mason work done during the summer and at other odd times during the year. The Committee ordered only such work as was absolutely necessary and this item is therefore somewhat lower than it should have been.

All but a few dollars of the item of \$1,396.63 for furniture and furnishings was for new desks, chairs, curtains, etc., for the new Clarke School.

The item of \$1,976.35 for fuel includes coal and wood for

all the schools. The School Committee does not buy the fuel merely approving the bills after ascertaining if they are correct.

The printing item is not large and that of \$262.00 for water is paid to the Town for the faucets in various school buildings. An unusually large amount of insurance ran out during the past year and this item is therefore a little larger than it will be next year. The item of \$450.00 for rent was for the room in the Odd Fellows' building used by the School Department during the erection of the Clarke School.

In a general way this tells the story of the expenditures of the School Department. Complete copies of the detailed bills are in the possession of the Secretary and any inquiries will always be cheerfully answered.

In conclusion it ought to be mentioned that the total appropriation of \$34,000 granted the School Committee was to cover a period of thirteen months and not twelve as many have seemed to understand. The School Committee asked for an appropriation of \$31,000 last March for the use of the department for a year. This report shows that during the year the sum of \$31,634.78 was spent and this includes the extraordinary expense entailed in opening the new Clarke School. The balance on hand February 1 of \$2,365.22 will come within a comparatively small amount of cleaning up bills of the Department to March 1.

ARTHUR W. STUBBS,

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee of the Town of Swampscott:

I have the honor to submit my first annual report for the fiscal year ending February 1, 1907.

School Accommodations.

At the time of the completion of Clarke School it was thought by the Committee that only six of the eight rooms would be occupied this year. But when the schools opened in September the increased enrollment necessitated the use of all the accommodations which that building provided. The old Pine Street school has been abandoned and the temporary school at Elmwood Road has been discontinued. One teacher (Miss Gregg), was taken from the Redington Street school and placed in charge of a room comprising second and third grade pupils in the new building. Thus by closing four old rooms and using all the space in the Clarke School, we have increased our accommodations by four rooms. In spite of this increase in rooms we have overcrowded conditions and have been obliged to burden the work of several of our teachers by compelling them to take two grades, as is the case in every building except the Essex Street school. The Farm and Beach schools still continue with three grades in one room. This plan is entirely inadequate for effective school work. The teachers must divide the time of each session among three classes, when it should all be given to one grade. It is surprising to me that we have as good results as obtain in these schools, under such adverse conditions.

The High School is overcrowded, and next year at least one of the grades now housed in the Phillips building will have to be moved in order to make room for the increased work of the High School, occasioned by the addition of one year to the program of study.

The most conservative will agree that the growth of Swampscott is likely to continue. It will, therefore, be necessary for the Committee to plan continuously, persistently and effectively, to increase the capacity of the school buildings; and in doing this care must be exercised to afford not merely temporary relief in limited localities, but as far as possible, permanent relief to as much of the town as possible. Already the parents of the children who attend the Farm and Beach schools, are talking about a new building, and it is only a matter of a few years when the town will have to erect a building conveniently situated to accommodate both these districts.

Repairs.

It always happens when a new school building is opened that comparisons are drawn with the older structures, and hitherto unthought of disadvantages are brought to light. Sometimes these are trifling matters, and occasionally they are conditions which should be corrected. I shall call your attention only to those conditions at the various buildings which should have your earliest attention, and which in many cases are unsanitary, and therefore are a menace to the health of the children.

Now that the town has laid a sewer along Essex Street the old cesspool closets should be replaced with a modern system of plumbing. I need not dwell on the conditions arising from a closet located so closely to the building, and directly in front of the entrance. There is room in the cellars for two closets, and an appropriation should be asked from the town to make this change possible.

The boys closet at the Phillips school needs your immediate attention. Complaints are made by teachers and pupils, and were it not for the untiring efforts of the janitor of the building

to reduce the nuisance, the building would be unfit for occupancy. The need here is for sewer connections; until this is made possible the present trouble will continue. At the new Clarke School there have been one or two occasions when the basement floor in the boiler rooms has been covered with water. This could be avoided if a drain were dug from the building to the street gutter, as there is already a blind drain running around the building which, at present, has no outlet. Gas or electric light fixtures should be placed in the Clarke School, and all school rooms not equipped with means for artificial lighting should be provided with the same. The school-yards at the Redington, Essex and Beach schools are in such a condition as to make any vigorous exercise dangerous to the children. They could be greatly improved by a top dressing of sand or loam. Additional coat racks are needed in the Clarke School, as the racks now in use accommodate only about four-fifths of the pupils of the school. The windows in the Clarke School should be provided with weather strips as a protection against the extreme cold weather. The ceilings of the Beach School are in need of immediate repair as the plaster is broken in several places. Some means must be provided to protect the water pipes which pass through the cold air rooms at the Clarke School from freezing.

It is but just to our janitors to say that in most instances our schools are kept in a cleanly and wholesome condition. It should be remembered by them, however, as well as by the teachers that a fruitful source of disease is in the dust which is distributed through the school rooms by sweeping. The time, frequency and methods of scrubbing, cleaning and disinfecting the school rooms and furniture demand the most careful consideration. In this connection I might suggest to the Committee that it is needful for the floors in the Clarke School to be treated with some sort of dressing which shall protect them from wear and at the same time prevent them from gathering dust.

Ornamentation and Improvement.

It is gratifying to me to find teachers and pupils interested in the decoration of the school rooms. In the Clarke School the eighth grade pupils have purchased two pictures, "The Angelus" and "Going to the Fair" for their room. Through the kindness of Mrs. Jeffers a large picture of Niagara Falls has been added to the wall decorations of the fourth and fifth grade room in the Phillips School, while Mrs. Sprague has presented a copy of Van Dyke's "Baby Stuart" to grade four, Redington street and "Christmas Chimes" by Blashfield to grade six, Clarke School. The pupils in the last named room raised by subscription enough money to purchase a print of the "Sistine Madonna," and the pupils in grade four, Redington street have presented to the school a photogravure of the "Divine Shepherd." The Women's Relief Corps last fall hung in the hall of the Clarke School two framed copies of the History of the American Flag. Miss Lowrey, teacher of the first grade of the Essex School, has made for her room two plaster casts of Raphael's Cherubs. The Woman's Club of Swampscott have kindly offered their services in providing means for further decoration of our school rooms.

The Clarke Picture.

Through the instrumentality of the Clarke Club and the beneficence of the family of the Rev. Jonas B. Clarke, for whom our new building was named, an oil portrait of Mr. Clarke hangs in the hall way of the Clarke School. The portrait was unveiled with appropriate exercises December 8th, 1906, and presented to the Town. The program of exercises was as follows:

Prayer—Rev. Mr. Johnson.

Singing—Seventh Grade pupils.

Remarks—Mr. Merritt.

Address—Rev. Mr. Jackson.

Presentation of Picture—Mr. A. F. Clarke.

Acceptance for the Committee—Mr. S. P. Congdon.

Singing—Eighth grade.

Remarks—Mr. A. Bunting.

Benediction.

Mr. Merritt of the Clarke Club presided at the exercises which were attended by a large number of Townspeople.

School Organization.

During this first year of my administration of the office of Superintendent of your schools, I have endeavored to perfect the organization of them along the most modern and improved lines, believing that only through organization may the work of the schools be conducted easily, smoothly and thoroughly. Few people realize the magnitude of the material equipment of a public school system, and the financial, intellectual and moral interests at stake. There are at present six school buildings which, together with grounds, furnishings and equipment cost about \$1,192.00. There are enrolled in our schools 960 pupils. Twenty-seven principals and teachers are engaged in giving these children instruction, while six janitors are employed in caring for the buildings. The expenditure on the schools last year was about \$32,000. In order that this expenditure may yield adequate returns, with the least possible waste, the organization of the schools must be so perfect as carefully to provide for the improvement of every minute of every school day by those engaged in the work. Loss of time is an important factor in financial matters,—it is of even more importance in considering the intellectual advancement of the large number of children in our schools. A half a day lost by one individual seems a small matter; multiply it by 900 and the result at once arrests our attention.

Organization is an important factor in rendering school management effective in the moral training of children. A well organized school system must insist that pupils be present at every session; that they be punctual at all opening exercises; that their conduct going to and coming from school be orderly and quiet; that they be considerate of the rights of others; that they be respectful to teachers, fellow-pupils, and all people with whom they come in contact; and that they develop habits of

industry, accuracy, and neatness. With such a system well organized, each child during the six to twelve years of school life must of necessity develop some, at least, of the habits which constitute the foundation of good citizenship. Such a system I am striving to organize. I hope that by the end of this school year every teacher will know what her work will be next year; what grade or grades she will teach; and the approximate number of pupils in her room. Also that every pupil will know what his work will be next year; and that all books and supplies for the year shall be placed in each room before the first of September. Such an organization must be great aid both to teachers and pupils. Confusion and delay will be avoided, and the teacher will be able to gain control of her work on the opening day.

Program of Study.

In planning a program of study for the use of teachers, consideration must be given to the community life. Swampscott is a Town of more than ordinary intelligence. This necessitates the forming of a program which shall offer a broad foundation for general culture, at the same time that it provides for a preparation for a business or professional life. In drafting a program for a school system the first consideration must be given to answering this question: "What will the various subjects in the program yield to the pupils in offering a preparation for complete living, and what range of interests and powers will be attained by securing them?" A reciprocal relation exists, or should exist, between the pupils and the program. This relation depends on the consideration of the aims of education with the view to have pupils pursue those studies which shall realize those aims. The vocation and avocation of pupils later in life must be considered. That is to say the program should contain both cultural subjects and those which may be a preparation for work, those which are rich in intellectual content and those which deal with man as a social being. At the same time there are other considerations which must be regarded in making a program for public school purposes such as State requirements and community interests.

A program of studies determines the success of a school system. A simple combination of subjects with the amount to be taught specified for the year, is not sufficient. It must be developed according to fixed pedagogical principles; to the age and efficiency of the pupils; to the nature of the subject matter; and to the social needs. Consequently any successful program must pass through an evolutionary process, must undergo change from time to time and must keep up with rapid educational development.

As in every other occupation of life, the teacher must know definitely what she has to do. The end to be attained must be accurately and distinctly defined. There must be a clear understanding of the principles, laws and methods to be employed in the use of given materials for the accomplishment of this end. The program of study upon which I am now at work and a draft of which I have already made for arithmetic, geography and language, will, I hope, attain the end desired. I hope in time to prepare a complete statement to the teachers of the principles, laws and methods involved in the ends I want them to attain through the use of given means. Such a program should be a great help to teachers, especially to those with little experience, in indicating to them the amount of work to be expected from their classes, and the order of succession of topics in each subject taught. It will also aid the teachers by suggesting and emphasizing the relation of each subject to the other subjects in the program. My purpose then being to frame a program of study such as I have attempted to describe, I am endeavoring to follow certain principles in the work which should be considered by everyone entering upon such a task. These principles I shall merely state here without commenting upon them.

I. Only those subjects should be incorporated in the program as require formal instruction.

II. No subject should be introduced which is not suited to the development of the powers of the pupils.

III. The range of the subjects must be broad enough to afford well rounded development.

IV. Preference should be given to subjects which shall prepare for vocational life.

V. Only those subjects should be offered which are suited to the teaching process in the various grades.

VI. Careful consideration must be given to time, material and money.

In accordance with the purposes and aims already expressed we have set at work the program so far as we have it drafted. We are striving to make our school system an institution which shall take boys and girls from five to six years of age, and which through several years of careful work with them, shall develop in them knowledge and power which make for manhood, womanhood and good citizenship. We hope that the training of our schools shall supplement the training of the home, the church and society. We ask only for the co-operation of parents and citizens in attaining this end.

An outline of the work in the subjects thus far prepared is in the hands of the teachers. It is only the first draft and its use in the schools will necessitate many additions and alterations before we can present it to you in a permanent form.

Arithmetic.

The aim has been to make the work as thorough as possible in the four fundamental processes, believing that the pupil who thoroughly masters these operations will have a foundation knowledge which will enable him to learn readily the essential topics to be studied later. The teachers should require exactness in analysis of all problems, and quickness and correctness in the use of figures. The thought process involved in every problem should be clearly understood by the pupil. Two steps are taken in every solution; the first is a clear understanding of the data given and the data required; the second is the perception of the relation between the given data and the required data. Much of the failure in arithmetic is due to the unpardonable looseness of the work in solving problems, owing to a failure mentally to grasp the distinction between the terms given and the result to be sought. Absolutely correct results must be insisted upon. Accuracy, rapidity and neatness are essential to successful teaching of the subject. Lack of this is failure.

Geography.

Geography is a study of the earth as the home of man, and of his relations to the earth and his fellowmen. It teaches the child to see that it is wisely adapted by the Creator to all the needs of mankind; that all of man's needs are provided in abundance and are to be had only at an expense of proper effort on his part. It also teaches the dependence of man upon his fellowbeings, and his relation to social organizations. No other subject brings the child into such close touch with his environment, and if properly taught, no subject will arouse more interest or be more valuable. It gives the child a many sided interest and teaches him the relation of facts; it gives food for thought; it brings other countries of the world into close relation with his own.

No subject is better adapted to energetic, ambitious and tactful teaching. The earnest teacher will not be content to confine the work to the test book; she will reach out for every possible means to present the subject to the pupils as a part of their own life.

Language.

No study in the school program deserves more careful teaching and no study has been the object of more injudicious experimentation than Language. Language is the vehicle of thought and its correct use is of the greatest importance to every individual, let his vocation be what it may. The habit of using correct English must be acquired early in life, consequently it is of vital importance that the study of language should be pursued in such a way as to avoid the acquisition of wrong habits of expression. A method of teaching language will embrace (1) the building of a vocabulary; (2) sentence structure; (3) ability to perceive differences of meaning of words; (4) ability to express thought in the simplest and purest style.

The teacher's aim should be to cultivate the powers of oral and written expression; to correct errors in speech and writing; to train the powers of observation by requiring pupils to describe objects of interest; to develop the arts of conversation and of

letter writing; to cultivate in pupils a taste for good literature; and to develop the individual style of expression. Language is too often made a tiresome, uninteresting study. A well defined aim and careful consideration of pupils needs will do much to prevent this. A carefully graded outline of the work in language, faithfully followed in each grade, will place the language work in our schools on a high plane of excellence and will do much toward giving our boys and girls a useful well rounded course of instruction.

I expect to have the program of study in the other subjects completed and in the hands of the teachers before the end of the year. Mr. Childs and I expect to give the High School program our careful consideration and we shall make such changes as the addition of the extra year has proved necessary. The work in the High School this year has taxed the energy of all the teachers and any increase in the attendance next year will require the services of an extra teacher.

Medical Inspection.

The first step toward official medical inspection was taken last fall by the Board of Education in accordance with the State Law which requires such inspection and examination of schools and pupils by a competent physician. The work was not assigned to any one physician but was divided among several of the physicians of the Town as follows: Dr. Howard K. Glidden, Redington street, Beach and Farm schools; Dr. H. M. Lowd, Phillips School; Dr. Ralph E. Bicknell, Clarke School; and Dr. Loring Grimes, Essex school. The results of their examinations of pupils are given in the following table which shows the disease or disorders found and the number of pupils afflicted.

Enlarged tonsils and adenoids	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Pediculosis	.	.	.	.	.	.	55
Eczema	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Chicken pox	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Pink eye	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

Ring worm	3
Impetigo	5
Eye strain	9
Enlarged glands	5
Deafness	1

These figures need little comment. They show the necessity of medical inspection in our schools, not only to relieve children afflicted with ailments but to safeguard the health of children who are so fortunate as to enjoy good health. The physicians were emphatic in stating that much of the trouble was due to uncleanness. The free use of soap and water every day will prevent children from being subject to the conditions such as the table indicates. Many parents fail to realize how detrimental to good work in school, to say nothing of injury to a child's permanent health, anyone of the disorders mentioned must be.

The results following the inspection have been very satisfactory. There is a more general determination among the children to keep clean, and the teachers are more alert to discover any sickness or impairment of health among the pupils.

Sickness has made a disastrous decrease in the attendance. Scarlet fever and diphtheria have kept many from school. So large a number of children at the Redington street school were afflicted that I requested the Board of Health to fumigate the building. Since that was done the number of cases has considerably lessened.

The State Law requires this year for the first time the examination of all pupils for defective hearing and eyesight. Below is given the results of these tests.

Number of pupils defective in eyesight—Clarke, 80; Phillips, 41; Redington, 42; Essex, 20; Beach, 7; Farm, 7; High, 28; Total, 225.

Number of pupils defective in hearing—Clarke, 11; Phillips, 4; Redington, 6; Essex, 7; Beach, 1; Farm, 1; High, 15; Total, 45.

Number of parents or guardians notified—Clarke, 85; Phillips,

37; Redington, 46; Essex, 27; Beach, 5; Farm, 7; High, 23; Total, 230.

Teachers.

Twenty-seven teachers have been employed during the year. Since the opening of school in September two have resigned,—Miss Annie O. S. Clemons of the third grade, Clarke School, left the first of November to accept a position in the school system of Lynn. January 1, 1907, Miss Elizabeth A. Bill resigned from the position of Supervisor of Music and Drawing after having served our schools creditably for seventeen years. Miss Annie W. Chase of Concord Junction was elected to teach the fourth grade in the Clarke School and began her work November 5th. The position of Supervisor of Music has been filled by the election of Miss Mabelle F. Proctor of Revere. Mrs. E. Jennie Owen who has served in our schools as a substitute was elected to a permanent position in September and was given charge of the fourth and fifth grade room in Phillips School. Miss Elizabeth J. Hadley has been promoted to the position of Principal of the Phillips Grammar School, thereby relieving Mr. Childs of the supervision of these grades.

With the close of the schools last June several transfers were made to go into effect in September when the Clarke School was opened, and all the schools were changed in their personnel except the Beach and the Farm.

It must not be forgotten that the standard of our schools depends upon the character and efficiency of the teachers more than on all else combined. Teachers should be appointed with an eye single to their qualifications and they should be paid a reasonable salary so that they can devote their whole energy to their work without being worried about the question of livelihood. They should be given a proper supply of materials with which to work. The number of pupils assigned to each teacher should not be so large as to make effective teaching impossible. They should at all times feel that they have the unqualified support of Superintendent, the School Committee, the parents, and the public.

On the other hand there should be an earnest desire on the part of our teachers for personal improvement. Lack of this is stagnation, and stagnation is death to any teacher's usefulness. Like other professions that of the teacher requires continuous study by those engaged in it. This may not mean more than the reading of educational periodicals, but even that will keep teachers in touch with the work in general and will serve as a stimulus to further study and investigation. I believe that every teacher should know well the nature of the work in every grade in a school system and the aim and object of every subject taught, and what it should do for each pupil. This demands study,—not only of subject matter, but of the children, their nature, intelligence, capacity for work, and temperament. I regret that I have not had time this year to give more attention to the further elevation of the teacher's profession in our town and to the stimulation of greater personal improvement among the teachers. I hope I shall soon be able to make our teachers' meetings more like institutes of instruction rather than mere business gatherings.

From the teacher's standpoint the past year has been a successful one. I am pleased to report improvement in the work of all, and yet I am compelled to say that there are many ways in which we hope to continue this improvement during the year to come.

High School.

The modern High School has a two-fold purpose to serve in every community: 1st, and most important, as a school which shall offer superior advantages to those pupils who do not design to continue their studies in higher educational institutions; and 2nd, to prepare pupils for the advantages of Collegiate training. These two purposes should never counteract each other, but should be mutually helpful. Beyond the provision to meet the divers needs of the Town and of the pupils, there should be given the same instruction to all in the various subjects of study, no distinction in methods being made for pupils who are to go to college and for those who are to leave the High School for

their chosen vocation. The development of the High School, especially in the freedom of election of studies and in methods of instruction, should be more distinctly along the lines of preparation for participation in life's activities. This need not reduce the capacity of the school to furnish preparation for college entrance. Our new five years' program should make it possible for our pupils, who elect to go to college, to enter any institution in New England, and I believe it will do so.

The High School is the goal of every ambitious pupil in the Grammar Schools. Its program of study should be made so attractive that it will hold the pupils from the first year to the end of the senior year. I believe the elective system will do this, as it gives pupils a certain independence in their work, which will arouse a keener desire to graduate and receive the High School diploma. In comparing our High School program of study in the amount of work which it requires, to the High School programs in other towns of the State, I find that there is very little difference. This shows pretty conclusively that we are as well able to prepare for entrance to college as the average High School, and any statement that pupils go to some other school for preparation for college in order to save time, or to be placed in more aristocratic surroundings, means that those few young people and their parents have thought that we take too much time to do the work which we give at our High School. This is as it should be. Statistics show that in general, only about five per cent of pupils graduating from Grammar Grades ever complete the High School course and enter college. It is then the business of the High School to offer, as conditions will permit, every opportunity for vocational training, at the same time that it gives instruction in cultural subjects. The High School is not a Preparatory School, nor a Technecial School. It is the great public institution of this country which offers higher instruction to the mass of youth who come up from the grades.

Retrospect.

While the period of my administration is rather short to be able to look for results I can with perfect fairness call your attention to the following improvements in the work of the schools:

1. A more systematic organization of the schools.
2. The development of an *esprit de corps* among teachers and pupils.
3. Continued improvement in the ethical tone of the schools, noticed in the good order, good work, and good cheer.
4. The grading of the work in the various subjects with greater uniformity. The program of study will further improve this.
5. More careful consideration for the physical condition of the pupils.
6. Increased improvement in attendance.
7. A marked improvement in teaching and the results obtained. This is seen in the uniformly good character of the class work.

I am happy to report that the best of harmony exists within the teaching force, and that all are giving the superintendent their united support in the effort to improve the schools of the town. The year has been marked by substantial progress and the improvement will continue with untiring effort on the part of all concerned.

W. J. PELO.

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Report of Principal of the High School.

Mr. William J. Pelo, Superintendent of Schools:

DEAR SIR,—Herewith is respectfully submitted the annual report from the High School.

This past year showed in the fall the largest enrolment in the history of the school, an enrolment that nearly reached the limits of accommodations provided. The enrolment for the year ending June, 1906 was one hundred twenty-five, while the enrolment of the fall, to December 31, is one hundred forty-four. In two years, the gain has been forty-four per cent. ; in eight years, one hundred and eight per cent. Of the one hundred forty-four, fifty-five are boys, or thirty-eight per cent., a proportion that compares favorably with that in other high schools. Many high schools have a much smaller percentage of boys. Since the beginning of September, no boy, enrolled as a regular student, has voluntarily left the school. But one has removed from town and two were unable to do the work demanded of them.

The addition of a ninth grade, or sub-freshman's class, has proved to be a good plan, from several points of view, and has allowed the teachers to give the different pupils the training more nearly adapted to their needs. Many pupils are not attracted by the usual school studies, that savor too much of the book. Such pupils would be lastingly benefited, physically and mentally also, by a proper system of manual training, including besides drawing and laboratory practice, instruction in the use of tools and simple machines. This work would prove with us, as with others, a source of strength and stimulation to boys otherwise but slightly interested in school work. The expense of equipping such a plant would not be great and would be a good investment, one that would return large dividends in the training of our boys and girls. A year or two ago, one public-spirited citizen offered a fund, enough to begin such a plant, but nothing seems to have resulted therefrom.

Last spring, an athletic association was formed by the pupils in the school, that supported a baseball nine in the spring and

fall. At the request of the boys, the principal acted as manager. While this added to his duties, it had good results, particularly in strengthening the ties between teacher and pupils and increasing the points of contact between them. The effect of the team's work has been good on the school as a whole and has increased the school spirit. While the organization has been rather informal, with few rules, it has demanded satisfactory attendance and class work from the players on the team. It would be unfortunate if any pupils came to school simply for the sports; such pupils should be debarred. While every teacher likes to see his school grow in numbers, there may be times when there are too many pupils in it; but never too many seriously disposed and earnest pupils.

A properly equipped gymnasium with instruction in "body-building" exercises is one of the great needs of this school, as of all high schools. Properly directed physical exercises should be as much a part of the education of each boy and each girl—especially girl—as arithmetic and spelling. At present, our town offers a form of education that is one-sided; lop-sided, if you like, ignoring the muscular part, the vital part, and magnifying the nervous part, the mental.

The laboratory equipment of the school is far behind its needs, not having been increased in ten years, though the school is more than twice as large. Increased accommodations are imperatively needed and separate accommodations for chemistry and physics, if not also for botany. At present, one room, not large, has to do for all, entailing, of course, much loss of time and efficiency, as well as causing great inconvenience. The laboratory cannot be heated properly in winter, another loss. Our science teacher feels that these facilities are too inadequate and make the position far from attractive, especially as salaries in this school are less than in other towns of the same standing. Something ought to be done to cure these two evils before next season.

Fortunately, our teaching force has remained the same as last year, in spite of the fact that attempts were made to draw some away. As cost of living has risen and other towns are trying to

offset such increase by raising salaries, we cannot hope to be so fortunate very long. The additional teacher, added sixteen months ago has enabled the school to give a little more attention to the college preparatory work ; but the increase in the number of pupils has prevented much gain in this college work. More help is needed before the school can do as well as is desirable in this work. Schools of this size labor under great disadvantage in trying to do the two kinds of work that, in larger cities, are done by two high schools, with two sets of teachers and two sets of equipment.

The school graduated sixteen pupils last June and for the first time gave certificates to two post-graduates, who had taken one extra year of study. Of the latter pupils, one has entered Mt. Holyoke College and the other Massachusetts Agricultural College, at Amherst. Of the others, one has entered Simmons College, one Phillips Academy, Andover, and one is doing post-graduate work in this school. Several of the class are at work in various lines of business, several as stenographers and some are employed at home. The next graduating class will probably have twelve members, five boys and seven girls.

Please allow me in behalf of the school to thank the School Committee and yourself for the interest taken in the school and the efforts put forth for its improvement.

Very respectfully,

HAROLD CHILDS,

Principal.

Report of Music Teacher.

MR. W. J. PELO.

Superintendent of Schools, Swampscott, Mass.

DEAR SIR:—As my work in music has just begun in the Swampscott schools, I can give but a general report.

That this department of work has had careful attention is obvious in the readiness with which the scholars read music. There is need, however, of a systematically graded outline. A plan of work should be at the desk of every teacher from which she should know what to teach her class between the visits of the Supervisor, thus abolishing to a great extent the oral instructions.

In the first grade the work has been taken up from the beginning; in all the other grades new technicalities have been taught, also chromatics, minor modes and new songs. The High School makes a very creditable showing during the music period. The girls have organized a Glee Club, and while yet in its infancy we hope the young ladies will enjoy the club socially as well as musically.

There is considerable music material in all the grades. For the seventh and eighth classes we soon expect to have some new books for recreative singing, and by another year we may need some new books for one or two of the lower grades.

The enthusiasm with which the scholars have commenced the work with the new teacher is very encouraging and I desire to take this opportunity to thank the teachers for their co-operation.

Respectfully yours,

MABELLE B. PROCTOR.

GRADUATION EXERCISES
OF THE
SWAMPSCOTT HIGH SCHOOL
IN PHILLIPS SCHOOL HALL,

Wednesday Evening, June 27, 1906

AT 7.45 O'CLOCK.

Program.

OVERTURE	Orchestra
Miss Mildred R. Munsey, Pianist.	
CHORUS—"A Day on the Water"	Veazi
PRAYER	
Rev. Edward Tillotson.	
DECLAMATION—"Centralization in the United States"	Grady
Richard T. Harris.	
CHOROUS—"The Lead Strikes Native Ground"	Emerson
DECLAMATION—"The Higher Warfare" . . .	Brooks
Herbert W. Blaney.	

PIANO DUET—"Mecury"
 Richard T. Harris; Leonard F. Burdett.

A THREE-FOLD STORY—Chapter I.

Marion F. W. Tenney.

Chapter II.

Edith R. Packard.

Chapter III.

Edna Y. Stocker.

CHORUS—"Summer's Come" Nichol

ESSAY—"The Value of Beauty in Education"
 with Presentation of Class Gift: Gio-
 vanni da Bologna's "Cupids Singing"

Ruth Shattuck.

CHORUS—"The Wandering Students" Roques

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS.

Chairman of School Board.

SONG—"Bright Star of Eve, Arise" Wrighton

GRADUATING CLASS.

Ethel W. Browne, *Soloist*.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF HONORS, AWARDING OF PHILLIPS MEDALS,

Secretary of School Board.

GRADUATES—1906.

GROUP B "WITH HONOR."

Herbert Wardwell Blaney,

(Graduate student S. H. S.)

Mary Ellen Kain.

Bertha Abbie Langley.

Bertha Lillian Norman.

Edith Rose Packard.

Ruth Shattuck,

(Simmons College).

Edna Young Stocker.

Marion Frances Willard Tenney.

Evelyn Wires Thompson.

GROUP C.

Herbert Franklin Bassett.

Ethel Wynne Browne.

Leonard Flint Burdett,

(Phillips Academy, Andover.)

George Henry Crowell.

Richard Thompson Harris.

Harold Myron Pope.

Ralph Higgins Russell.

POST-GRADUATES, CLASS OF 1905.

Jonathan Phillips Blaney,
(Massachusetts Agricultural College.)

Mildred Ruby Munsey,
(Mt. Holyoke College.)

Roll of Honor.

Neither absent or tardy during the year.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Evelyn Thompson.	Mary E. Kain.
Jessie McDonald.	Loyd Mansfield.
Alice Horton.	Marion Newcomb.
Beatrice Porter.	Dorothy Till.
Marjorie Ward Daniels.	Walter Lawrence Delory.
Eveleth Stanley Flagg.	Alfred Wesley Hatch.
Grace Imogene Packard.	Esther Maud Symonds.

GRADE VIII.

Louise Call.	Helen Foster.
Mildred Warren Shorey.	Edith Elizabeth Leach.
Annie Ledlie.	Clara Nies.
Charles Shaw.	

GRADE VII.

Anna McNamara.	Marion N. Proctor.
Charles Wareham.	C. Freeman Shaw.
Raymond Till.	Helen Reifkohl.
Camille Serrington.	

GRADE VI.

Viola Marion Wilson.	Richard M. Daniels.
Mortimer Holden Doane.	May Beth Goodwin.
George Raymond Hussey.	Norman Ellis LeGallee.
Carol Antionette McLaughlin	Harold Clifford Snow.

GRADE V.

Olive Elizabeth Flagg.	Harlan Warren Curtis.
Robert Clifton Marsh.	Jane Isabel Ledlie.

GRADE IV.

Frank Belben.

James Edward Sharp.
Eleanor McNamara.

GRADE III.

Evelyn G. Curtis.

GRADE II.

Laura Annie Prideaux.

Albert Ellis Devitt.

James Alexander Ledlie.

Joseph Oral Markee.

Mildred Pearl Wilson.

Winthrop McClare.

GRADE I.

Alice Evans.

Walter Francis Delano.

Second List.

Absent or tardy once or twice :

HIGH SCHOOL.

Marion Tenney, tardy once.

Margaret Shorey, absent two days for examinations.

Roy Austin, tardy once.

In Grade Eight, Edith E. Leach entered school September 12, has not been absent or tardy. Pauline Flagg and Esther Anderson, one-half day.

GRADE VI.

John T. Lee, absent two days because of death in the family.

Lena H. Adams, absent one week because of death in the family.

GRADE V.

Arthur Wilhelm Reinnholm, absent one-half day on account of sickness.

Jessie Katherine Coan, absent one-half day on account of sickness.

GRADE IV.

George Garry Barker, absent one-half day on account of sickness.

Rose Hilda Lee, absent two days on account of death of sister.

GRADE III.

Robert L. Douglass, tardy once.

Wilfred M. Furlong, tardy once.

L. Kenneth Hussey, absent one-half day.

GRADE II.

Evelyn Stevens Boynton, absent one day because of sickness.

GRADE I.

Hazel Violet Furlong, tardy once.

May Pierce, absent and tardy once.

Selected List.

Pupils having rank of A in each study for the year :

HIGH SCHOOL.

Marion Munsey.

Margaret Shorey.

GRADE VIII.

Emeline Frances Tompkins.

Clara Nies.

GRADE VII.

Gladys Macleod.

GRADE VI.

Hazel Emogene Rogers.

GRADE V.

Helen Marion Bailey.

GRADE IV.

Flora A. Nies.

Frank Belden.

James E. Sharp.

Phillips Medals.

Given on the records actually made for four years :

For excellence in *Department*, two silver medals to Bertha Abbie Langley, Mary Ellen Kain.For excellence in *English Composition* and *Declamation*, silver medal to Edna Young Stocker.For excellence in *Scholarship*, gold medal to Ruth Shattuck.

Commencement Exercises.

In addition to the regular Commencement Exercises held at the High School, the Committee have voted to hold closing exercises for the pupils of the Eighth Grade, and to grant diplomas or certificates to all pupils who complete the work of the Eighth Grade and are eligible to enter the High School. It is believed that such exercises will have a tendency to hold our pupils in school longer, thereby increasing the number who finish the work of the grades, and enter the High School. At the same time we believe that such exercises will encourage more lively interest in the work of our schools, among parents and the townspeople. Already plans are under way to make the exercises a success. A committee of the teachers are at work on the program, and it is hoped to begin the work of preparation by the first of March.

School Boundaries.

All pupils living North of a line running along New Ocean street to Rock avenue, to Thomas road, to Farragut road, including Grant road and Banks road, shall go to the Clarke School or the Essex Street School, according to Grade. But Second Grade pupils on New Ocean street, across Burrill street to Paradise road and South of this line, shall go to Redington street School. All pupils from Greenwood court, inclusive, to Galloupe's Point road, inclusive, shall go to Beach School. All pupils from Humphrey street to Pleasant street, inclusive, shall go to Beach School; and all pupils East of these Roads shall go to Farms School.

All First Grade pupils shall attend the same schools as the Second Grade pupils, excepting that the Boston & Maine Railroad shall be the dividing line for all pupils of the First Grade attending Clarke School or Essex street School.

No School Signal.

If the signal, "2-2" is sounded on the fire-alarm at 7.20 A. M., the High School will open at 8.30 A. M., and the other schools at 9 A. M. If the signal is repeated at 7.50 A. M., no schools will open for the forenoon. If "2-2" is sounded at 12.50 P. M., no schools will open in the afternoon.

School Calender.

Winter term of 1907 began December 31, 1906; ends February 21, 1907.

Spring term of 1907 begins March 4, 1907; ends April 26, 1907.

Summer term of 1907 begins May 6, 1907; ends June 28, 1907.

Fall term of 1907 begins September 9, 1907; ends December 20, 1907.

Holidays.

Washington's Birthday, February 22.

Patriots' Day, April 19.

Memorial Day, May 30.

Bunker Hill Day, June 17..

Thanksgiving recess, from noon of the day before until the Monday following Thanksgiving Day.

STATISTICS.

Population of Swampscott, 5,287; school population, Sept., 1906, 776.

Total enrollment in schools between 5 and 15 years of age	720
Number of pupils over 15 years in High School	94
Average daily attendance	816
Percentage of daily attendance on average membership,	85%
Number of school buildings	6
Number of sittings 1905-06	948
Number of sittings September, 1906	1,051
Number of pupils in attendance at High School	144
Assessed valuation of Town—real and personal (1906)	\$8,397,445.00
Expenditures for ordinary school purposes (1906)	30,794.34
Expenditures for repairs (1906)	894.00
Average expenditures for all ordinary school purposes per pupil, based on average daily attendance	37.98
Average expenditures for all other purposes per pupil	1.09
Total average expenditures per pupil, based on average attendance	39.07
Number of pupils of school age attending Parochial schools or other institutions than Swampscott schools,	16
Amount appropriated to the support of schools in the Town for each \$1,000 of valuation (1905)	\$2.95
Average amount appropriated in State for each \$1,000 of valuation (1905)	3.87
Position of Swampscott in list of 353 Towns and cities of the State, graded according to appropriation based on each \$1,000 of valuation (1905)	No. 321

Total Registration by Schools and Grades September, 1906 to January, 1907.

	Redington	Phillips	Essex	Clarke	Farm	Beach	Total
1st Grade	34		52	37	15	20	158
2nd Grade	20		46	20	11	11	108
3rd Grade	21			28	9	10	68
3rd Grade				47			47
4th Grade	45	14		50			109
5th Grade		27	38	40			105
6th Grade		38		55			93
7th Grade		23		48			71
8th Grade		24		33			57
Totals	120	126	136	358	35	41	816
High School.							144
							960

Average Attendance by Schools and Grades January to June, 1906.

	Redington	Phillips	Essex	Elmwood Road	Pine	Farm	Beach	Average
1st Grade	6	12	19
2nd Grade	.	.	31	.	24	7	9	21
3rd Grade	.	.	41	.	.	8	6	23
4th Grade	43	.	.	37
5th Grade	.	.	38	.	.	.	.	41
6th Grade	.	.	42	.	.	.	.	35
7th Grade	.	.	.	37	.	.	.	35
7th Grade	.	.	32	.	.	.	.	34
8th Grade	.	.	35	.	.	.	.	27
8th Grade	.	.	34	.	.	.	.	27
8th Grade	.	.	27	.	.	.	.
8th Grade	.	.	27	.	.	.	.

Average attendance at Grammar Schools . . . 635
 Average attendance at High School . . . 115
 Average attendance at all Schools . . . 749

Average Attendance by Schools and Grades, September, 1906, to January, 1907.

	Redington	Phillips	Essex	Clarke	Farm	Beach	Average
1st Grade	.	.	.	30	12	16	25
2nd Grade	.	.	38	13	10	10	18
3rd Grade	.	.	.	21	9	7	12
3rd Grade	.	17	.	39	.	.	28
4th Grade	.	39	.	44	.	.	32
5th Grade	.	23	28	33	.	.	28
6th Grade	.	35	.	43	.	.	39
7th Grade	.	21	.	43	.	.	32
8th Grade	.	20	.	30	.	.	25

Average attendance at Grammar Schools	.	.	.	.	.	.	679
Average attendance at High School	.	.	.	.	.	.	137
Average attendance at all schools	.	.	.	.	.	.	816

PHILLIPS HIGH.

	Date of First Election	Salary	Address
Harold C. Childs, Principal	.		
A. Lillian Rideout	.	\$1,800	19 Andew road
Mabel E. Ingalls	.	900	15 Farragut road
Elizabeth M. Dunning	.	700	129 Essex street
Mabel L. Butler	.	700	7 Rockland street
Kathleen Robinson	.	700	6 Elmwood terrace
	.	600	6 Elmwood terrace

PHILLIPS GRAMMAR.

Elizabeth S. Hadley, Prin., VIII.	.	1872	\$618	17 Rockland street
Ellen M. Dewing, VII.	.	1894	600	33 Rockland street
Clara L. Miller, VI.	.	1904	600	93 Burrill street
E. Jennie Owen, IV and V.	.	1906	600	90 Norfolk avenue.

CLARKE SCHOOL.

	Date of First Election	Salary	Address
Frances A. Gould, Principal V.	. 1888	\$700	7 Nichols streets, Danvers
Minnie H. Fernald, VIII.	. 1888	600	18 King street
Mabel S. Knight, VI	. 1894	600	30 Burley avenue, Danvers
Eva M. Macomber, VIII.	. 1905	600	348 Lafayette street, Salem
Annie W. Chase, IV	. 1906	500	16 Rockland street
Edith A. Farnum, III	. 1897	600	11 Park avenue
Florence Gregg, II and III	. 1905	600	16 Rockland street
Anna F. Willey, I	. 1902	600	42 Blaney street

REDINGTON STREET SCHOOL.

Alice L. Shaw, Principal, IV	. 1902	\$650	9 Farragut road
Katherine Y. Prescott, II and III	. 1902	600	23 Huron street, Lynn
L. Ardell Kimball, I	. 1903	600	93 Burrill street

ESSEX STREET SCHOOL.

	Date of First Election	Salary	Address
Mabel F. Verry, Principal, V.	. 1896	\$650	68 Cross street, Somerville
May E. Jackson, II.	. 1894	600	1 Claremont terrace
Mabel E. Lowrey, I.	. 1906	500	93 Redington street

BEACH SCHOOL.

	Date of First Election	Salary	Address
Blanche E. Doyle, I, III.	. 1903	\$618	71 Redington street

FARMS SCHOOL.

Louise C. Stanley, I, III.	. 1888	\$618	149 Humphrey street
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SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

Mabelle F. Porter	. 1907	\$350	Revere
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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

William J. Pelo	.	.	1906	\$1,000	5 Cutler ave., Cambridge
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CLERK OF SCHOOL BOARD

Arthur W. Stubbs	.	.	1906	\$180	74 Paradise road
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TRUANT OFFICER.

Richard G. Gilley	.	.	.	\$35.00	Humphrey street
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JANITORS.

	School.	Salary.	Address
H. W. Wardwell	.	.	404 Humphrey street
George A. Langley	.	.	62 Stetson avenue
Charles Roderick	.	.	1 Elmwood road
A. G. Stone	.	.	49 Blaney street
Mrs. H. E. Maker	.	.	74 Orient street
A. McNamara	.	.	802 Humphrey street

Enrolment for Fall Term.

HIGH SCHOOL :

	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
Graduate students.....	..	..	2	1	1	..	3	2
Senior.....	7	10	13	10	14	18	18	12
Junior.....	17	13	13	17	24	19	14	25
Second Year.....	21	17	24	30	29	23	33	43
First Year.....	34	41	39	35	34	40	57	28
Sub. Freshmen	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Totals.....	79	81	91	93	102	100	125	144

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS :

Grade VIII.....	44	45	45	50	51	63	62	57
Grade VII.....	47	47	49	55	77	87	87	71
Grade VI.....	62	63	81	92	95	85	77	93
Grade V.....	76	82	92	105	101	102	107	105
Grade IV.....	97	85	98	98	105	89	92	109
Totals.....	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	326	322	365	400	429	426	425	435

PRIMARY SCHOOL :

Grade III.....	83	88	88	101	77	91	104	115
Grade II.....	99	86	93	90	78	95	106	108
Grade I.....	106	118	94	113	135	123	121	158
Totals.....	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	288	292	275	304	290	309	331	381
Grand totals.....	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	693	695	731	797	821	835	881	960
Increase.....		2	36	66	24	14	46	79

TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

To the School Board:

GENTLEMEN:—I submit my report as Truant Officer for the past year as follows: Number of complaints investigated, 78; truancy, first offence, 9; second offence, 5; third offence, 3; fourth offence, 2; fifth offence, 2; number of calls made, 81; taken to school, 5. Other absentees have given satisfactory reasons for absence.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

Truant Officer.

Report of Chief of Police.

FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1907.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit the annual report of the Police Department as follows:

Whole number of persons arrested or summoned to appear at court	99
Males	97
Females	2
	— 99

Arrested or summoned to appear at court for the following offences:

Assault and battery	5
Drunkenness	27
On suspicion	1
For out of town officers	11
Removing Town records	4
Larceny	7
Unlawful taking	3
Carrying concealed weapons	3
Breaking, entering and larceny	1
Violation of the automobile speed law	32
Violation of the liquor law	1
Delinquent children	2
Truancy	1
Insane	1
	— 99

Disposed of as follows:

Fined and paid	39
Committed for non-payment of fine	4
Sentenced to House of Correction	1
Placed on file	24
Discharged by court	2
Appealed cases	10
On probation	4
Released out of court	1
Dismissed by court	1
Turned over to out of town officers	11
Committed to Industrial School for girls	1
Committed to Insane Hospital	1

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Superior Criminal Court, September Term, 1906.

Violation automobile speed law	5
Unlawful taking	1
Removing town records	3

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These cases were continued and are now pending.

Miscellaneous Business.

Complaints investigated	347
Cases of breaking, entering and larceny reported	10
Cases of larceny reported	19
Buildings found open and secured	58
Accidents reported	21
Street obstructions removed	2
Defective places in street and sidewalk reported	27
Injured and sick persons assisted	21
Intoxicated persons assisted home	15
Lights furnished for dangerous places	16
Street lights reported out	67
Defective lights reported	3
Glass in fire alarm boxes reported broken	18
Leaks in gas mains reported	2

Breaks in water pipes reported	5
Electric light poles reported down	2
Dogs reported lost	20
Dogs reported killed by automobiles	4
Dogs killed by the dog officer	72
Fire alarm given by officer	1
Fire alarms responded to by officers	13
Fires extinguished without alarm	3
Wires reported down in street	10
Defective wires reported	4
Drunks put off at depot (non-residents)	12
Stray beasts cared for	5
Nuisances reported to Board of Health	3
Lost children restored to parents	8
Horses found cast in stable	8
Out of town officers assisted	21
Persons reported bitten by dogs	2
Runaway boys turned over to parents	3
Disturbances suppressed without arrest	4
Lights found burning in buildings	6
Persons killed on R. R. and cared for	2
Dead bodies washed ashore and cared for	1
Bicycles found on street and turned over to owners	5
Complaints of boys throwing stones	10
Ambulance calls	20
Sick persons conveyed to hospital	19
Extra hours of officer on ambulance	60
Persons found on street in demented condition	4
Search warrants for liquor served	1
Search warrants for stolen goods served	1
Seizures made	2
Forfeitures ordered by Court to Commonwealth	1
Value of property reported lost and stolen	\$350
Value of property restored	\$176

Receipts and Reimbursements.

W. H. Stuart	\$4 00
Percy F. Munsey	1 00
Ladies' Union	2 50
H. M. Priest	8 50
Edward Tillotson	9 50
Eugene M. Ong	52 00
Samuel J. Mixter	39 75
Charles H. Conway	8 75
Albert R. Ellis	1 00
B. & N. R. R. Co.	7 75
Telephone tolls	2 71
Cemetery Department	2 25
School Department	6 22
Sewer Department	79 30
Park Department	61 25
Police court fines	725 00
Fines collected at jail	40 00
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	\$1,051 48
Due from sundry parties	\$49 50

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DUNLAP,

Chief of Police.

Surveyor of Highways.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

During the past year, 4,000 tons of stone, have been crushed. The greater part of this stone has been used in macadamizing the following streets: Orient street, from the roadway to the beach, near the estate of George Brooks, to the new Ocean House: Humphrey street, on both sides of the railroad track, from the entrance to the "Cliff" house, to Blaney street: New Ocean street, from the Lynn line, to a point opposite the old pumping station: Essex street, from the corner of Burrill street, to the old Pitman nursery. Also, the different streets have been patrolled and hollow places have been filled with crushed stone and gravel.

There have been used on the different streets, 2,993 loads of pit stone and gravel, at the following places: Middlesex avenue, at the Clarke schoolhouse: Stetson avenue, from the Boston & Maine railroad bridge, to Essex street: Orient street, from the Lodge estate, to the entrance, to the Little estate: Berkshire street, from Hampden street to the State Highway: Essex street, from the Pitman nursery, to the Bessom estate: also from the Salem line, to the Martin Nies estate: Rock avenue, from New Ocean street, to the top of the hill: Huron street from the Lynn line, to the school house: Danvers street, both sides of the railroad bridge: Portions of Sheridan road, Phillips street, Highland street, Elmwood road, King street, Humphrey street, Monument avenue, Boynton street, Shaw road and New Ocean street.

Stetson avenue received a coating of stone and gravel which averaged one foot in thickness; this work necessitated the raising of all the manhole tops.

Also, Essex street from the Salem line to the Nies estate, was filled with stone and gravel to a depth of eighteen inches. This part of Essex street was in a very bad condition, especially in the spring, when the frost was coming out of the ground. This work ought to be continued this year as far as the cemetery.

The ledge on Orient street, opposite the entrance to the Lodge estate, has been blasted and removed for a width of about 20 feet, and the street put to grade and gravelled.

New Streets.

In rebuilding Grant road, the following amounts of material were used :

Number of loads of filling removed	57
Number of loads of stone and gravel furnished	119

This street was practically reconstructed, for while it had been laid out forty feet wide, the Swampscott Land Trust, who originally had built it, had only graded a street thirty feet wide. This required that the sidewalks on both sides of the street should be drawn back five feet and the driveway recrowned.

Essex avenue, a new street, running from Essex street to Columbia street, has been constructed and is now open for public use. For this work the following amounts of material were used :

Number of loads of filling furnished sand, etc.	523
Number of loads of gravel for surfacing,	155

The greater part of this filling was given to the Town by Mr. Oscar G. Poor the Town having only to do the necessary carting.

This gift greatly aided the Town, in reducing the cost of building this street.

Gutters.

The gutters on all the streets in the Town, have been cleaned twice, and on the main streets, six times. All gutter scrapings have been removed and placed on the different dumps of the Town.

New Fences.

New fences have been built, as follows: At the lower beach there has been built 438 feet of three rail, two inch iron pipe fence. The wall has been raised some two feet, to get it to the grade of the street. At Danvers street, 319 feet of new fence has been built, to replace the old fence. At Essex street, 109 feet of fence has been built and at Humphrey street, at the Rowe estate, 84 feet has been built.

All the Town fences have been painted.

Sidewalks.

Material used, 936 loads of gravel, of which, 129 loads were screened.

Number tons of stone dust . . .	95
Number of loads of gutter scrapings .	102
Number of yards ledge, removed . .	26
Number of loads of sand, used . . .	61

A side walk on Atlantic avenue, at the Smith estate, has been built, causing a fill of about three feet, which had to be filled in so that curbstones could be set.

At the Williams estate, on Atlantic avenue, curb stones were laid thereby causing the town to build sidewalk and grade the same.

Concrete and Curbstones.

Number of yards of concrete laid . .	923.90
Number of feet of curb stones laid . .	1,251.
Number of feet of curbstones relaid . .	701.

Continuous Sidewalks.

Number of yards of concrete laid . .	2,026.75
Number of feet of curbstones laid . .	1,075.50

I would recommend that an appropriation of \$1,000 be made, for continuous sidewalks, and that the northerly side of Middlesex avenue, from Burrill street, to the Clarke School, be curbed and concreted. Monument avenue from Burrill street, to the crossing at Thomas road, be concreted, and that Humphrey street, from the point at which the town stopped, this last summer, to Marshall street, on Orient street, be concreted and curbed this year.

Catch-Basins and Gutters.

Number of yards of gutters paved with cobblestones	391
Number of yards of gutters repaved with cobblestones	387
Number of loads of stone used in paving gutters	89
Number of loads of sand and gravel used in paving gutters	97
Number of feet of 6-inch pipe laid, for catch basins	72
Number of feet of 8-inch pipe laid for catch basins	54
Number of catch basins built, Andrew road,	1
Number of crossings laid	3
Number of paving blocks used	951
Number of crossings relaid	5

Crossings were laid at the following places: across Columbia street, at Essex avenue; across Middlesex avenue, at Berkshire street; across Atlantic avenue, at the Plummer estate.

Danvers Street Bridge.

There has been built, at Danvers street, a new bridge, to replace the old one. The work was done by the bridge department of the Boston & Maine Railroad, for the sum of \$462.24. The abutment walls were pointed up by Mr. James T. Lyons,

for the sum of \$41.67. The guard fence to the bridge was painted by Edwin Russell, for \$12.00.

The street, on both sides of the bridge, has been gravelled.

The town was very fortunate in getting the Railroad to build this bridge, as they did a good job, and at a very reasonable cost to the town, and this bridge will now last the town for quite a number of years.

New Storage Building.

This building is situated on land belonging to the town, at the stone crusher lot on the State Highway.

Bids were asked for and opened in the Selectmen's room, two being received as follows: Levi Hudson, \$688 or \$765 and Wm. J. Waters, \$650 or \$700.

William J. Waters being the lower bidder, was given the contract.

The building is sixty feet long, 25 feet wide and 14 foot post, pitch roof, shingled and clapboarded, and contains ample room for all town tools.

Town Brooks.

The different town brooks have been cleaned, but not as they should have been, for the reason that there was no money appropriated for this work.

The brook running past the old pumping station from the Boston & Maine railroad tracks, was in a very bad condition from ashes and other matter falling therein, from the dump on the Lynn side. The town ought to adopt some system or find a way to enclose this brook, so that it may be kept clear.

Recommendations.

1. That the town purchase a new steam boiler, for the stone crusher plant, as the present one is not fit, and cannot do the work that is required of it.

2. That the town purchase a road machine.

3. That all underdrains, water courses and culverts, be put in the hands of the Sewer Commissioners and appropriation be

made for their maintenance. My reason for this recommendation is that in the construction of the various sewers in town, the different underdrain and other pipes are being constantly interfered with and disturbed, and the Sewer Commissioners are the board who should have full control of them.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL J. RYAN,

Surveyor of Highways.

Report of Chief Engineer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS,
SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., Feb. 10, 1907.

To the Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN,—We have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the Fire Department for the year ending February 1, 1907, this being the twelfth annual and the twenty-eighth since the organization of the paid department of the Town.

Manual Force.

The department consists of thirty-four men, assigned as follows: One chief and two assistant engineers, seven permanent men, including the chief, one captain, two lieutenants, five pipemen, seven hosemen, six laddermen and four men on steamer.

Apparatus.

The apparatus is in good condition at the present time. It consists of one steam fire engine with three horse hitch, one two-horse hose wagon, one two-horse ladder truck, one two-horse chemical, one two-horse hose reel, one relief wagon, one single wagon, and three hand-hose reels, one two-horse hose pung.

Fire Alarm.

The past year there has been added several miles of new wire to take the place of old wire. No new boxes have been added the past year and the system is in good order at the present time.

Water Supply.

The water supply has been all that has been required the past year. The hydrants have been kept in good order and all needed repairs have been attended to by the Water Board when reported to them. There have been three (3) new hydrants added the past year which makes one hundred and thirty-four (134) at the present time.

Hose.

There are thirty-one hundred and fifty (3,150) feet of two and one-half inch cotton hose (rubber lined, classified as follows: First quality, twenty-six hundred (2,600) feet; worthless five hundred and fifty (550) feet. There are also four hundred (400) feet of three-quarter inch rubber hose.

Horses.

The department owns ten horses and some of them are unfit for fire service and should have been exchanged long ago. It is hoped for the efficiency of the Department, this matter will receive early attention.

Fires and Alarms.

There have been twenty-one (21) bell alarms, twenty-two (22) telephone calls, and one (1) still alarm, making a total of forty-four (44) alarms this year. No school signal has been sounded twelve (12) times and the department has responded to six (6) out of town calls, Chemical No. 1, Phillips Beach, called in service nineteen (19) times, Chemical No. 4, Lynn, ten (10) times.

Loss by Fire.

The value of property endangered, amount of insurance carried, amount of insurance paid and net losses at fire where portion of the department have responded is as follows, viz. :

Value of buildings	\$52,240 00	
Value of contents	41,375 00	
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Total		\$93,615 00
Insurance on buildings	\$28,900 00	
Insurance on contents	20,000 00	
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Total		\$48,900 00
Damage to buildings	\$5,707 65	
Damage to contents	2,889 05	
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Total		\$8,596 70
Insurance paid on buildings	\$5,482 65	
Insurance paid on contents	2,749 05	
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Total		\$8,291 70
Net loss above insurance	\$305 00	
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Total		\$8,596 70

Recommendations.

We would recommend that five hundred dollars (\$500.00) be appropriated for the purchase of two new horses. We also recommend five hundred (500) feet of two and one-half inch leading hose and that three hundred dollars (\$300.00) be appropriated for the same. We also renew our recommendation of last year, that the permanent men receive an increase of \$2.00 a week this coming year, and that seven hundred and twenty-eight dollars (\$728.00) be appropriated for the same. We consider this a reasonable request. They are on duty at the stations twenty-one hours out of twenty-four and answer alarms which may occur during meal hours.

We also recommend that a Committee be appointed to look

into the advisability of building a new engine house in some other location, and report at an adjourned Town meeting. The Central Fire Station is in bad condition and it will cost the Town a large sum of money to repair the same.

Conclusion.

In closing our report we revert with pride to the manual force, their willingness and undaunted courage in performing the dangerous and arduous duties of their calling. We desire to tender our thanks to the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the members of the Fire Department, the Police Department, and all others who have in any way assisted the department. We also wish to thank the press for the competent way in which they have reported the fires and other matters pertaining to the department.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE P. CAHOON,
G. H. LAMPARD,
FRANK L. CHAPMAN.

Attest :

FRANK L. CHAPMAN,

Clerk of Board.

Park Commissioner's Report.

FOR 1906-1907.

The past year has been a very pleasant one for your commissioners. The amount of money appropriated by the town being \$500 less than was asked, a number of repairs and improvements were left undone and should be done this coming year.

On April 11, 1906, the following letter was received from Mr. W. H. Niles, Town Counsel, which is self explanatory.

LYNN, MASS., April 11, 1906.

Park Commissioners of the Town of Swampscott:

DEAR SIRs,—The Smith cases have been settled as directed by your board, he releasing his suit against the town, we releasing our claim for rent for storage of property up to the time of settlement which was Sept. 13th, 1905.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM H. NILES.

On May 11, 1906, it was voted by your commissioners that Mr. E. A. Farnham be allowed to erect a division fence between his property and the Park, the Town to pay one half the cost with fence and work satisfactory to both parties. Mr. Farnham built the fence but the location according to surveys made by C. W. Gay of Lynn is not correct, and for that reason we have never approved the bill of Mr. Farnham amounting to \$30.50,

on advice of Mr. Niles, our Town Counsel. The difference in the location of the present fence from the old is $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch on Farnham property on rear to $7\frac{3}{4}$ inches on Park land on the front, or in other words Mr. Farnham has fenced in 26 sq. ft. of land belonging to the Town according to the survey of Mr. Gay. Mr. Farnham having positively refused to remove the fence, we would recommend that the Town take some action in regard to the matter.

The insurance on Fish House having expired, we have renewed policies for three years.

Having heard a great deal of talk regarding disorderly conduct at the beach Sundays and holidays, we have during the summer maintained an officer on such days and the results have been very satisfactory to the public and the commissioners as well.

We have kept the play ground in as good condition as our limited appropriation would admit and have during the winter flooded it when the weather would permit and given the children a good place to skate with safety.

The care of the Monument Ave. Reservation was placed with Mr. Geo. Newhall at \$175 for the season and the work has been very satisfactory to everybody. The only other figures submitted were by D. W. Nesbett, \$200.

The commissioners were notified by the Board of Health that the drain from the Fish House must be connected with the sewer, but we have been unable to do so from lack of funds.

Some grading and care will have to be given the play ground in order to place it in condition for the summer games.

This spring the Fish House will have to be painted on the outside.

The lower part of the Beach reservation will have to be regraded and in order to carry out the work of this department properly, we would recommend that the sum of \$1,500 be appropriated for general park purposes.

FRED C. MARSH,
JOHN J. BLANEY,
ELIAS G. HODGKINS, *Sec'y.*

Cemetery Report.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Year 1906 to 1907, lots sold, four at \$50 each	\$200 00
Year 1906, number of interments	41
Year 1907, number of interments	4

List of Public Property.

Receiving tomb	\$2,000 00
Old tomb	20 00
House	500 00
Implements	50 00

Lots unsold, 13 at \$100; 12, at \$50 each.

I would recommend that more lots be staked out and graded the ensuing year, and an appropriation be made for the same.

I would also recommend that an appropriation of \$1,000 be made for the ensuing year for the Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. M. S. PITMAN,

Superintendent of Cemetery.

Report of Tree Warden.

There has been a large increase in the number of trees on the Town roads and public property during the past six years, both by the acceptance of new roads and by trees set out by the Tree Warden. So the number of trees on Town roads and public property is double of that of six years ago. The whole number at the present time is about 1,700.

Trees Planted, Cut in 1906.

Burrill street, 1; Farragut road, 3; Thomas road, 1; Berkshire street, 3; Ellis road, 6; Norfolk avenue, 2; Middlesex avenue, 3; Pine street, 2; Boynton street, 2; Stetson avenue, 4; Maple avenue, 2; Humphrey street, 1; total 30.

Set out at expense of abutters, 3; destroyed by horses, 3, gas, 3; trees protected by wire, 52; by iron bolts, 1.

Most of the pruning has been done during the process of moth work.

Tools belonging to the department, are 1 extension ladder, 2 shovels, 1 pick.

There have been no trees set against vacant land, as they get no care or protection from the owner and are liable to be destroyed during building operations.

Remarks.

As there has been some roads accepted and put in order the past year and most of the lots are occupied by dwelling houses, and by looking over the situation, I find it would require about fifty trees on the roads mentioned and other roads where houses have been built the past year, I recommend that number of

trees be set out where needed, and that the sum of \$250.00 be appropriated for the use of the Tree Warden department. The use of telegraph spurs or climbers have not been allowed on any town trees, and I also recommend that their use be prohibited in the future as it causes the trees to look unsightly and to decay in a short time.

All respectfully submitted,

GEORGE NEWHALL,

Tree Warden.

Report of Local Superintendent of Moth Work.

The present law on moth work was passed May 6, 1905. It requires all work in this department to be done under direction of the State Superintendent and his assistants. The report of the State Inspector shows that in 1906 there was seventy-five to eighty acres of brush land cut and nearly all burned over, 8,000 trees were burlapped, over 400 were banded with tanglefoot, 1,750 square yards of burlap cut eight inches wide, 175 pounds of tanglefoot, 50 pounds of jute twine, 5 barrels of creosote, 15 barrels of fuel oil and 500 pounds of arsenate of lead used.

Previous to May 1, of the past year, the amount of assessment for work on private property rendered into the assessors was \$770; largest number of men employed, 29; smallest, 5. Tools belonging to the department are, 1 large hand force pump for spraying, 2 Johnson pumps for oil burning, 2 grindstones, 1 extension ladder, 12 chopping axes, 18 bush axes, a number of pruners, 100 feet of rubber hose, 5 bush scythes, 2 pair of clide shears, 18 tree knives, 4 pitchforks, 1 cross cut saw, 1 pair of opera glasses, 1 galvanized iron tank, 12 small mirrors, and a lot of brushes. These tools when not in use have been kept stored in a dry shed on my premises.

The work of cutting, burning, and creosoting was carried on until May 1, then burning and banding with tanglefoot till about June 15, then burning, spraying, and burlapping till July 10, after that time examining burlap and spraying until the caterpillars changed into the pupæ state, then all burlap was removed and burned, cutting, burning, and creosoting has been the work since September 1.

State report shows that there was less than two per cent. of brown tail and less than fifty per cent. of gypsy moth in town December 1, 1906, than December 1, 1905. There has not been any stripped area in town the past year. The state authorities call this a good showing for one and a half year's work.

All respectfully submitted,

GEORGE NEWHALL,

Local Superintendent.

Report of Milk Inspector.

To the Board of Selectmen, Swampscott, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave to submit my report as Milk Inspector for the past year.

I have taken seven samples to be tested and issued thirteen (13) licenses for the sale of milk.

No complaints have been made to me from any parties.

Amount received from licenses and paid to the Town Treasurer, six dollars and a half (\$6.50).

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. WEBSTER,

Milk Inspector.

SWAMPSCOTT, February 9, 1907.

REPORT OF

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending February 23, 1907:

Total number of balances and platform scales tested from

April 1, 1906 to February 23, 1907	.	.	.	.	.	60
Number of weights tested	.	.	.	.	.	168
Number of measures tested	.	.	.	.	.	164
Number of weights condemned	.	.	.	.	.	4
Number of measures condemned	.	.	.	.	.	3
Number of balances condemned	.	.	.	.	.	1

Total amount received, \$19.00 for above which I turned over to the Town Treasurer, for which I received a receipt.

The standard embraces the following:

One avoirdupois balances, fifty pounds.

One set of avoirdupois weights, sixteen divisions; drachms, one two divisions; ounces, one-quarter, one-half, one, two, four, eight; pounds, one, two, four, five, ten, twenty, twenty-five, fifty.

One set of liquid measures of six dimensions, one gill, one-half pint, one pint, one quart, two quarts, one gallon.

One set of dry measures, five divisions, one quart, two quarts, one-half peck, one peck, one-half bushel.

One yard measure, ten fifty-pound weights; one balance for testing small weights, one steel stamp, 1906; one hammer, two drills, one bitstock, one breast drill, one tripod, one tin tube, ten graduating glasses.

FRED WATTS,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Report of Street Lights Committee.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

There seems to be very little to say in this year's report relative to street lights. We are now on our second year of the contract and your committee hear no complaints from citizens relative to the quality of light we are getting.

Slowly but steadily the number of lights is increasing and the cost growing larger. The ten thousand dollar mark is practically reached, and nothing short of this amount will be safe to appropriate for the current year for the department, to keep within the appropriation.

The quality of our lights is unexcelled for the candle power used. The new inclosed alternating type of nominal twelve hundred candles is a clean, clear and steady ray and great improvement on the old system, also being a surer light, no matter how high a wind the lamp still burns, which could not always be said of the original lights.

Your committee will continue to recommend that on the side streets the incandescent lamps be used instead of the arc. On many of these streets three of the smaller lights would give ample light, costing fifty-four dollars a year where an arc lamp will cost the town \$73.50 for the same time. This should be borne in mind when citizens are petitioning for new lights. At present we are maintaining 117 arc and 71 incandescent lights, with two Welsbach gas lights at the Burrill street bridge. Our monthly pay roll to the company is \$826.40, added to this \$50 a

year for the care of the bridge lights makes our bill for the year about \$9,966.80.

Your committee would recommend that the amount to be appropriated for this department for the current year be \$10,000.

E. A. FARNHAM,
J. R. MERRITT,
M. L. QUINN,
F. J. LINNEHAN,
J. F. CATON.

Committee on Street Lights.

Report of the Library Trustees.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

The addition of 375 books, including several books of reference, and 18 bound magazines makes the whole number of volumes in the Town Library, 10,128.

The list of magazines is increased by "Suburban Life" and "The Delineator."

Seventy-nine books have been replaced, and 244 have been rebound. Five were destroyed on account of contagious diseases.

The circulation has been 28,748.

Books presented include a number of volumes from the War Department, of the "Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies," Engineering magazines from Mr. Jameson, and books from Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Russell and Mr. John Albree.

No income from the Morse fund has as yet come into the hands of the trustees for the purchase of books.

We have received at this date (Feb. 4), no money from the dog-tax, and yet we were required to have all bills in by Feb. 1, therefore our embarrassment as to the amount of money we could draw upon for the uses of the library can be easily seen.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH J. HADLEY,
FRANK E. INGALLS,
FRANK F. STANLEY,

Trustees of the Public Library.

February 4, 1907.

Report of the Water Commissioners.

To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:

The Water Board respectfully submit their ninth annual report. The year just closed has been one of considerable activity in this department and while the amount of new construction has not been large, still we have been able to lay about 3,000 feet of six-inch mains; 600 feet of which replaced cement-lined pipe in Beach Bluff avenue, the remainder was placed in streets where the building of new residences made it necessary.

Nearly double the number of service pipes were renewed last year as compared with the year 1905 and it is very apparent that during the next few years all of the old galvanized iron services will have to be taken up and longer lived pipes put in their places.

In accordance with the vote passed at the last annual town meeting your commissioners have purchased and installed meters in more than one-third of the dwellings of your town and while it is a noticeable fact that many water-takers have at once remedied leaks in fixtures, we take this opportunity to say that there is still much chance for improvement in this regard, and from now on we believe it to be the duty of every citizen to cause no reckless use of water as it is now less than two years to the expiration of our contract with the Metropolitan Water Board and it is to our advantage to reduce the amount of consumption to the minimum.

In the schedules which follow you will find itemized accounts of all meters bought, and prices paid; all bills rendered by this

department during the last year ; financial statement of the year's business ; and the report of our doings as trustees of the Sinking Fund in connection with this department for the year 1906-7.

Cost of Construction, Including Hydrants and Gates.

Beach Bluff avenue	\$510 69
Banks road	609 58
Hemingway road	302 45
Farragut road	634 79
Essex avenue	798 08
Maple avenue	85 00
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	\$2,940 59

Value of Swampscott Water Plant,

January 1, 1907 \$165,649 55

Hydrants were located as follows :

Farragut road	1.
Pine street	1.
Essex avenue	2.

Sizes, Construction, and Length in feet of Distributing Pipes, in Swampscott, January 1, 1907.

Wrought iron. Cast iron. Cement. Kalamein. Totals.

1-inch	2146				2146
1½-inch	2565				2565
2-inch	7871				7871
3-inch	1088½				1088½
4-inch	7043	333	1734		9110
6-inch	42629	5983	1725		50337
8-inch	5553	7664			13217
10-inch	12940		694		13634
12-inch	12072				12072
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Totals	13670½	80237	13980	4153	112040½ or 21.22 miles.

Total number of hydrants	130
Total number of gates	284
Number of services added during 1906	40
Total number of water takers	1,259
Services relaid during 1906, (with lead-lined pipe)	134

Relaying and Extension of Pipes.

Beach Bluff avenue, replacing cement, 564 feet of 6-inch.	
Banks road	500 feet of 6-inch pipe.
Hemingway road	360 " " " " "
Farragut road	626 " " " " "
Essex avenue	720 " " " " "
Maple avenue	300 " " " " "

Gates were located as follows :

Essex street	1	6-inch gate
Essex avenue	3	" gates
Farragut road	2	" "
Banks road	1	" gate
Hemingway road	1	" "
Beach Bluff avenue	1	" "

Make, Cost and Sizes of all Meters Purchased to Feb. 1, 1907.

250 5-8 Worthington	\$1,687 50	
53 5-8 Hersey	445 20	
72 5-8 Nash	604 80	
3 5-8 Empire	32 20	
1 5-8 Pittsburgh	8 40	
15 5-8 Lambert	126 00	
3 5-8 Trident	25 20	
8 5-8 Union	67 20	
		\$2,996 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$2,996 50

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>					\$2,996 50
28 3-4 Lambert	\$352 80
14 3-4 Hersey	176 40
1 Empire 3-4	15 60
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					\$544 80
6 1 inch Hersey	\$100 80
3 1 inch Lambert	50 40
1 1 inch Nash	16 80
6 1 inch Empire	139 80
1 1 inch Union	25 00
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					\$332 80
1 11-2 Hersey	\$30 00
2 11-2 Worthington	56 00
2 11-2 Empire	80 00
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					\$166 00
1-2 inch Hersey Rotary	\$65 00
1-2 inch Hersey Torrent	40 00
1-2 inch Empire	60 00
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					\$165 00
1-3 inch Gem	\$80 00
1-4 inch Gem	160 00
1-4 inch Torrent	162 50
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					\$322 50
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					\$4,607 60

376 installed to February 1, 1907.

Financial Statement for the Year Ending January 31, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand February 2, 1906	.	\$5,072 09	
Received for water	. . . .	24,108 01	
Received for services	. . . .	797 09	
Land rent (Swampscott Auto Co.)	.	290 00	
Land rent (E. S. Sawyer)	. . . .	25 00	
Land rent (J. F. Brown)	. . . .	12 00	
Sale of horse (H. S. Harris' Sons)	.	200 00	
Sale of old iron (Grob and Gold)	.	11 00	
Rent of land for signs	. . . .	49 50	
Sale of cast iron pipe (M. Mc- Donough)	. . . . .	21 71	
Received for summonses	. . . .	4 35	
Interest on bank deposits	. . . .	50 02	
		<hr/>	\$30,640 77

EXPENSES.

Maintenance Account	. . . .	\$7,923 79	
Meter account:			
Meters bought,	. . \$3,628 40		
Labor, installing.	. . 461 62		
	<hr/>	4,090 02	
Construction account	. . . .	4,253 13	
Renewing Service Pipes:			
Pipe	. . . . \$1,204 38		
Labor	. . . . 1,441 50		
	<hr/>	2,645 88	
Repairs	. . . . .	696 31	
General expense	. . . . .	404 27	
Service expense	. . . . .	425 26	
Rebates	. . . . .	40 13	
Taxes, City of Salem	. . . . .	14 00	
Sinking Fund	. . . . .	2,800 00	
Interest on bonds	. . . . .	3,832 50	
Balance in hands of Town Treasurer,		3,515 50	
		<hr/>	\$30,640 77
Inventory of stock January 1, 1907,			\$1,839 53

Itemized Account of Bills Rendered and Receipts, 1906-7.

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DR.

Water bills, January 1, 1906, to April 1, 1906	\$82 00	
Service bills, January 1, 1906, to April 1, 1906	48 93	
Water bills, April 1, 1906	14,343 38	
Meter bills (water used for power only)	1,307 25	
Fractional water bills, April to Octo- ber 1, 1906	604 96	
Service bills, April to October 1, 1906	370 95	
Sale of horse	200 00	
Land rent	206 50	
Sale of old iron	2 00	
Summonses	2 35	
	<hr/>	\$17,168 32

DR.

Cash received	\$16,738 34	
Rebates	205 24	
Shut offs	205 69	
Bills outstanding, October 1, 1906 .	19 05	
	<hr/>	\$17,168 32

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DR.

Water bills, October 1, 1906 . . .	\$8,052 25	
Fractional water bills, October 1, 1906 to January 31, 1907 . . .	566 33	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$8,618 58	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$8,618 58	
Service bills, October 1, 1906, to to January 31, 1907	469 31	
Land rent	170 00	
Sale of old iron	9 00	
Sale of cast-iron pipe	21 71	
Summonses	2 00	
Outstanding October 1, 1906	19 05	
	<hr/>	\$9,309 65
CR.		
Cash received	\$8,780 32	
Rebates	55 24	
Shut offs	48.00	
Due from Sewer Department	320 00	
Service bills outstanding, January 31, 1907	92 10	
Fractional water bills outstanding, January 31, 1907	13 99	
	<hr/>	\$9,309 65

WILLIAM H. BATES,
C. S. HASKELL,
S. M. KEHOE,

Water Commissioners.

Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund.

As Trustees of the Sinking Fund and in compliance with Chapter 293 of the Acts of 1898, we submit the following report:

Amount of funds as per report of	
1906	\$26,086 00

RECEIPTS.

Interest received from the following banks:

Brookline Savings	\$42 86
Newburyport Institution for Savings,	48 48
Natick Five Cents Savings	43 00
Broadway Savings, Lawrence	40 40
Cape Cod Five Cents Savings, Har- wich	40 29
Salem Savings	40 35
East Boston Savings	41 98
City Institution for Savings, Lowell,	40 00
Commonwealth Savings, Lynn	38 48
Willey Savings, Boston	37 45
Andover Savings	39 76
Citizens Savings, Fall River	30 20
New Bedford Five Cents Savings	20 00
Lynn Institution for Savings	26 04
Chelsea Savings	10 00
Westborough Savings	10 34
Salem Five Cents Savings	41 52
Worcester Mechanics, Savings	45 12
Peoples Savings, Worcester	43 52

\$679 79

Amount carried forward,

\$26,765 79

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$26,765 79
Interest on \$10,000 Swampscott Water Bonds, August 1, 1906	\$175 00	
February 1, 1907	175 00	
	<hr/>	\$350 00
Profit on one \$1,000, Swampscott Sewer Bond bought of R. L. Day & Co. at 97. and interest, \$30.00— 3 months and 7 days accrued interest \$9.43		\$20 57
Reserved for Sinking Fund as required by law, 2 per cent on \$140,000 bonds, 1906–1907		\$2,800 00
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Total		\$29,936 36

Investments.

Ten \$1,000 3½ per cent. Swampscott Water Bonds of 1928	\$10,000 00
One \$1,000 3½ per cent. Swampscott Sewer Bond of 1923	1,000 00
Deposited in the following banks:	
Institution for Savings in Newbury- port	1,249 38
Natick Five Cents Savings	1,107 90
New Bedford Five Cents Savings	1,020 00
Salem Savings	1,184 10
Cape Cod Five Cents Savings, Har- wich	1,181 62
East Boston Savings	1,081 91
Andover Savings	1,024 51
City Institution for Savings, Lowell,	1,000 00
Brookline Savings	1,104 06
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$20,953 48

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$20,953 48
Citizens Savings, Fall River . . .	1,030 20
Broadway Savings, Lawrence . . .	1,040 40
Danvers Savings	1,000 00
Chelsea Savings	510 00
Westborough Savings	492 40
New Bedford Institution for Savings	443 28
Salem Five Cents Savings . . .	1,138 78
Worcester Mechanics Savings . . .	1,173 75
Peoples Savings, Worcester . . .	1,194 19
Lynn Institution for Savings . . .	959 88
Total	<hr/> \$29,936 36

WILLIAM H. BATES,
C. S. HASKELL,
S. M. KEHOE,

Trustees.

Report of Sewer Commissioners.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

The Sewer Commissioners herewith present their report for the year ending January, 1907. The Board organized with Aaron R. Bunting as Chairman. George T. Till was appointed Clerk, Aaron R. Bunting, Superintendent of Sewers.

During the year sewers have been constructed in the following named streets as authorized by the annual town meeting: Hardy road to Thomas road, a portion of Burrill and Essex streets; Columbia street; Essex avenue; across the land of the Boston & Northern R.R. Co., to Hillside avenue; Franklin avenue and portions of State road and Rockland street. After advertising in Boston and Lynn newspapers, the following bids were received for extension of sewers on streets as before mentioned.

M. McDonough,	\$19,011 44
Wm. Shea & Son	15,483 79
Sheehan & Belonga	15,414 22
P. A. McIntire & Co. . . .	15,409 58
C. E. Trumbull & Co. . . .	13,793 22
Anthony Cepalo	11,610 44
John H. Broderick	11,211 66
Geo. M. Bryne Co. . . .	10,322 13

The awarding of the contract was deferred until satisfactory information was obtained regarding the liability of the lowest bidder, then the contract was awarded to the Geo. M. Bryne Co. The progress of the work was slow on account of diffi-

culties to be overcome and was barely completed before cold weather. This portion of the Town proved to be most expensive for sewer construction, large quantities of water and quicksand were encountered, requiring large amounts of concrete, together with timber foundations. The work was however, very satisfactorily completed and the surface of the streets left in good condition, the amount of money expended in the past year was large and the Sewer Commissioners are surprised at the small number of applications received up to this writing for connections.

The number of connections for the year in all portions of the Town is seventy-one, only fourteen of these being on the new construction.

Auxiliary Pumping Engine.

The installation of the auxiliary pumping engine at the station which was referred to at the last Town Meeting, is a valuable addition to the plant and is working to the satisfaction of the Commissioners and in excess of the builder's guarantee.

Hillside Avenue.

In regard to connecting houses on Hillside avenue which are within the limits of the City of Lynn, the Board has not as yet arrived at any definite arrangement but it is hoped that the matter may be in form to be acted upon at the annual Town Meeting. Meetings have been held with the officials of Lynn to that end.

Future Extensions.

The policy recommended and adopted last year of limiting construction to receipts should be adhered to. And as assessments in many instances now are paid in installments, we cannot expect to continue but a limited amount of construction each year.

The building of the sewer on Outlook Road which was asked for last year is recommended, also a short extension to complete the construction on Rockland street.

Recommendations.

The Board would recommend that the amount now due the Water Department for sewer flushing be included in this year's appropriation for Water Rates for public use, and that said appropriation for Water Rates annually shall include the amount charged to this department for water used for sewer flushing.

Owing to the extension of the system this department will require a somewhat larger appropriation for maintenance for the ensuing year, we recommend that \$4,500 be appropriated for maintenance.

Length of Sewers Constructed in 1906.

Street mains, 4,967.36 feet or .94 miles.

Permanent underdrains, 3,909.66 feet or .74 miles.

Particular sewer connection, 1,596.5 feet.

Particular underdrains, 642.3 feet.

Plans and details of extension are on file at Commissioners' office.

Totals by Streets.

Burrill street	\$2,615 91
Columbia street	2,227 54
Cross-line	543 58
Essex avenue	1,301 08
Essex street, 10-inch.	1,244 94
Essex street, 8-inch.	599 55
Franklin avenue	402 74
Hardy road	354 16
Hardy road outlet	264 07
Hillside avenue	1,775 77
Paradise road	517 56
Rockland street	437 81
Norfolk avenue, material furnished	8 52
Land damages and miscellaneous	300 83
Total	<hr/> \$12,594 06

Houses, Sewer and Underdrain Connection.

Sewer connection	.	.	.	375	
Underdrain	.	.	.	60	
				<hr/>	435

Total mileage of sewers and underdrains, 12.004 miles; 18-inch force main added, 13.062 miles.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BUNTING,

H. B. SPRAGUE,

E. H. CURTIS,

Sewer Commissioners.

Sewer Department Receipts.

Balance March 1, 1906 . . .		\$20,329 91
Appropriation for maintenance, 1906,		3,500 00
May 1, 1906, interest . . .	\$77 24	
June 1, 1906, interest . . .	22 95	
September 1, 1906, interest . . .	65 53	
December 1, 1906, interest . . .	60 75	
February 1, 1907, interest . . .	26 84	
	<hr/>	253 31
Lynn Gas & Electric Co. . .		11 85

Collections.

Sewer assessments . . .	\$730 94	
Sewer assessments interest . . .	108 80	
	<hr/>	839 74
Particular sewer and drain . . .	\$1,876 15	
Particular sewer and drain interest . . .	144 05	
	<hr/>	2,020 20
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		\$26,955 01
Orders		20,375 22
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Balance		\$6,579 79

Sewer Department Expenditures.

Administration		\$111 00	
Land damages	\$111 00		
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	\$111 00		
Engineering		1,288 24	
Construction		11 86	
Advertising	\$11 86		
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	\$11 86		
Labor contracts		15,207 39	
Sewer extensions	\$11,382 84		
Pumping station	100 00		
Pumping plant	3,316 00		
Particular sewers	308 55		
Grant road	100 00		
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	\$15,207 39		
Maintenance		3,756 73	
Fuel	\$436 88		
Supplies	499 99		
Labor	1,651 85		
Superintendent	260 00		
Miscellaneous	908 01		
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	\$3,756 73	\$20,375 22	

Receipts of Sewer Department to February 1, 1907.

Sale of Bonds	\$209,000 00
Premiums on bonds	5,031 71
Accrued interest on bonds	1,347 89
Interest on deposits	1,370 26
Norfolk avenue drain (reimbursement)	3,377 44
Sewer assessments, collected to date	32,018 25
Miscellaneous receipts	403 79
Maintenance appropriations	12,502 57
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	\$265,051 91

Disbursements.

Vouchers paid to February 20, 1903	\$112,150 55
Vouchers paid, February 20, 1903, to February 20, 1904	107,644 98
Vouchers paid, February 20, 1904, to February 28, 1905	12,514 59
Vouchers paid, February 28, 1905, to February 2, 1906	5,786 78
Vouchers paid, February 2, 1906, to February 1, 1907	20,375 24
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	\$258,472 14
Cash in Treasury to credit of Sewer Department,	6,579 77
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	\$265,051 91
Present sewer debt	190,600 00

Assessors' Report.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., February 8, 1907.

To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:

The administration of the Assessors' Department has been given careful attention by the Assessors during the past year. The work of this Board increases every year on account of the steady growth of the town. We present the following figures to bring to the attention of our citizens how rapidly the town has grown in the past decade:

	May 1, 1896 Valuation.	May 1, 1906 Valuation.	Increase.
Buildings.....	\$2,177,650 00	\$3,481,935.00	\$1,304,285.00
Land.....	1,718,409 00	2,821,690.00	1,103,281.00
Personal.....	1,245,245.00	2,093,820.00	848,575.00
Polls.....	859	1,453	594
Dwelling houses.....	890	1,198	308
Tax on personal estate..	\$14,924.94	\$30,360.52	\$15,417.58
Tax on real estate.....	46,752.70	91,402.72	44,650.02
Tax on polls	1,718.00	2,906 00	1,188.00
Total.....	\$63,413.64	\$124,669.24	\$61,255.60
Rate of tax, 1896, \$12.00 per 1,000. Rate of tax, 1906, \$14.50 per 1,000.			
State tax, 1896.....	\$3,955.00	St.& pks. \$16,090 84	\$12,135 84
County tax	5,336.30	11,649.03	6,312.73
	\$9,291.30	\$27,739.87	\$18,448.57

We wish to call the attention of every citizen of this town that although in the last ten years the Town has purchased its water plant, and a good system of sewerage has been established at a large expense, and the State and County Tax increased \$18,448.57, the tax rate has only increased \$2.50 per thousand, and we feel that credit should be given the Board of Assessors, and the citizens should realize from the study of these figures that the work of the Board of Assessors has been increased nearly double, and the town should expect to expend more money for the Assessors' Department, especially for clerical work, than they did ten years ago.

Under the advice of the Town Counsel and our own opinion we think there should be a separate appropriation for this Board, and not have it included in the Selectmen appropriation, as has been the custom heretofore.

The Board recommend that the sum of fourteen hundred dollars (\$1,400) be appropriated for the Assessors' Department for the coming year.

EDWARD A. MAXFIELD, *Chairman*,
JOHN B. EARP, *Secretary*,
GILBERT DELANO,

Board of Assessors.

Report of the Board of Health.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

The Board of Health herewith presents for your consideration a report of their doings for the year ending January 31, 1907.

The Board organized March 27, 1906, as follows: Dr. Frank B. Stratton, Chairman; Jasper H. Stone, Michael Haley and William R. Patten, Clerk.

The Board voted to appoint Martin E. Nies, Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Swampscott, whose report is hereunto appended.

The Board received but one bid for the care and disposal of night soil that of George B. Courtis for \$100.00 and owing to the satisfactory manner in which he had handled the contract in the past, he was again awarded the contract at the above mentioned figure.

The number of complaints received from poor drainage and overflowing cesspools was less the past year than in previous years, probably due to the number of houses connected with the sewer.

During the year the Board received report of 40 cases of contagious diseases as follows:

Diphtheria	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Scarlet Fever	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Typhoid Fever	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Measles	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Consumption	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

This is a decrease from last year and of the whole number of contagious diseases, there has been but six deaths.

Owing to the limited time allowed your Board under the new By-Laws in framing its annual report and feeling that a more comprehensive outline of our work should be laid before the citizens, we therefore will make a special report under separate cover, fully covering in detail the obstacles with which we were confronted the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK B. STRATTON,
JASPER H. STONE,
MICHAEL HALEY,

Board of Health.

WILLIAM R. PATTEN, *Secretary.*

Report of Health Officer.

To the Board of Health, Swampscott, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my fourth annual report. It will be seen that the number of installations of plumbing approved is greater than the number of permits issued. This is owing to the fact that some of the permits issued late last year were not approved until early this year.

Plumbing permits issued	193
Inspected and approved	208
Complaints investigated	38
Licenses renewed and issued	105
Cases reported to Board	4
Cases settled by Board	4

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN E. NIES,

Inspector of Plumbing

SWAMPSCOTT, January 31, 1907.

Report of Inspector of Animals.

To the Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my annual report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending February 5th, 1907.

In the inspecting of animals in the fall by order of Chief of Cattle Bureau, I found the number of cattle to consist of one hundred and nineteen (119) the larger part of which were in good condition; of twenty-six stables, found two unfit to keep stock in; reported the same to the State Board; since one has been closed and the stock reduced in the other with the prospect of being closed or put in proper condition in the spring. With horses, found one case of glanders and one of farcy, which were destroyed and stables cleaned and put in proper condition; public watering places closed for a few days so no new cases developed; also posted notices in Town as a caution to the public.

Have posted notices in the month of October also in January of the present year in regard to rabies among dogs. But as no cases have occurred and all dogs must soon be muzzled in Town, the public will feel relieved, the dog must take his chances.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL A. SPALDING,

Inspector of Animals.

Swampscott, Feb. 5, 1907.

Overseers of the Poor Report.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 25, 1907.

To the Citizens of Swampscott, Mass.:

Number of persons fully supported	4	
At public institutions, 1		
In families, 3	4	
Fully supported part of the year	1	
Number of families partially supported	7	
Number of persons partially supported,		
men, women and children	29	
Having a settlement in this town	26	
Having a settlement elsewhere in the		
State	9	
State paupers	1	
Amount paid for full support,	\$921	78
Amount paid for partial support	1,187	70
Amount paid for salaries,	270	00
Amount paid for expenses	8	40
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		\$2,387 88
Reimbursed by Commonwealth of Massa-		
chusetts	\$80	63
Reimbursed by cities and towns	433	91
Reimbursed by individuals	1	06
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		\$515 60

Amount due from Commonwealth of

Massachusetts \$1 00

Amount due from cities and towns 415 78

Amount due from individuals 341 51

\$758 29

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. CROWELL,

T. P. CURTIS,

EDMUND RUSSELL.

Overseers of the Poor.

SWAMPSCOTT, February 10, 1907.

AUDITORS' REPORT

AUDITORS' DEPARTMENT.

Selectmen's Department.

Appropriation	\$6,350 00	
Receipts	257 50	
	<u> </u>	\$6,607 50
Amount of expenditures	\$5,616 19	
Balance unexpended	991 31	
	<u> </u>	<u>\$6,607 50</u>

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Bartlett Nathaniel F., services as auditor,	\$56 25
Cahoon, Harry E., services as auditor .	56 25
Cole, Allen H., chairman board of selectmen	300 00
Delano, Gilbert, services as assessor .	185 00
Earp, John B., services as assessor and clerk	285 00
Ellis, Stuart P., chairman board of auditors	90 00
Horton, G. A. R., estate, services as selectman	33 33
Honors, B. O., services as treasurer .	400 00
Maxfield, Edward A., chairman board of assessors	335 00
Merritt, John R., services as selectman .	166 67
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$1,907 50</u>

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,907 50
Nesbett, D. W., services as registrar of voters	35 00
Porter, Frank V., services with assessors,	22 50
Rowell, Charles G., clerk of selectmen	300 00
Spaulding, S. A., services as inspector of cattle	100 00
Shattuck, S. M., services as registrar, 1905	35 00
Thing, Ernest B., services as registrar of voters	35 00
Till, George T., services as collector of taxes	400 00
Webster, George C., services as milk inspector	25 00
Widger, Arthur C., services as selectman,	200 00
Watts, A. G., services as sealer of weights measures	35 00
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	\$3,095 00
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EXPENSES OF ELECTIONS.

Pay roll for election officers, March 19, 1906	\$54 00
Bradford, Frank H., refreshments March 19, 1906	43 00
Expenses Special Election, April 28, 1906	17 00
Pay roll for election officers, Nov. 6, 1906,	54 00
Bradford, F. H., refreshments, November 6, 1906	58 00
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	\$226 00
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SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co., expressing .	\$ 20
Baker, F. A., labor	6 50
Banker & Tradesman, subscription .	5 00
Bicknell, R. E., M. D., birth returns .	10 25
Bradford, H. F., distributing Town reports	3 00
Blaney, E. G., wreath	10 00
Bradford, Frank H., refreshments for registrars	24 00
Chase, W. B., M. D. reporting birth .	25
Carroll, W. H., carriage hire	21 00
Carroll, W. H., distributing reports with team	5 50
Carter Ink Co., supplies	2 20
Chapman, estate, John, rent for hand engine	5 00
Chicoine, I. H., M. D., birth returns .	1 00
Delano, Gilbert, services at State House,	17 50
Delano, Gilbert, expenses and number- ing houses	12 00
Eastman & Bradford, surveying . . .	192 50
Earp, W. G., stamped envelopes and stamps	44 40
Earp, Mabel W., clerical work . . .	58 00
Earp, John B., expenses, carriage hire, etc.	7 70
Evans & Cole, distributing reports, 1904- 1905	5 50
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . .	92 00
Gilley, Richard G., services as constable,	71 00
Harris, A. E., M.D., reporting births .	3 25
Honors, B. O., expenses	21 80
Item Press, Wakefield, printing . . .	3 00

Amount carried forward,

\$622 55

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$622 55
Lynn Evening News, advertising . . .	102 00
Lyons, James A., stock and labor . . .	158 00
Lowd, H. M., M. D., reporting births . .	1 50
King & Co., G. F., supplies	72 73
Knowlton, D. F., services as moderator,	45 00
Little, Brown & Co., supplies	4 00
Meek Publishing Co., H. M., directories,	4 00
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	20 82
Maxfield, E. A., expenses	3 50
Macomic, C. A., services	50 00
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing	69 10
Nichols, Thos. P., printing	97 75
Niles, W. H., professional services . . .	140 00
Porter, F. V., distributing town reports .	6 00
Porter, Milton D., Treasurer's bond,	
expenses, etc.	128 77
Reed, B. F., distributing town reports . .	3 00
Remick, Marion, typewriting	75
Rich, Benj. F., distributing town reports	
with team	5 50
Richardson, W. A., distributing town	
reports	3 00
Rowell, Chas. G., expenses and docu-	
ments	37 71
Simpson, F. L., professional services . .	230 00
Simpson, James & Co., insurance on	
ambulance	13 13
Swampscott Water Works, water rates . .	9 50
Shepard, W. E. distributing town reports	
with team	5 50
Smith, R. E., stenographic services . . .	12 80
Spinney, Geo. F., distributing town	
reports	3 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,849 61

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,849 61
Stott, Lilla D., abstracts	20 90
Till, G. T., expenses	15 13
Tyler, Hazen W., distributing town reports	3 00
Valvey F. B., engrossing	12 00
Watts, Alfred G. sealing and measuring jars	20 60
Whitten, Frank S., printing	373 95
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	\$2,295 19
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RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$3,095 00
Miscellaneous	2,295 19
Expenses of elections	226 00
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	\$5,616 19
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RECEIPTS.

Use of ambulance	\$18 00
Rent of Morris house	96 00
M. D. Porter, licenses	118 00
A. G. Watts, Sealer of Weights and Measures	19 00
G. C. Webster, milk licenses	6 50
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	\$257 50
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School Department.

Appropriation	\$34,000 00
Reimbursements	71 83
	<u>—————</u>
	<u>\$34,071 83</u>

Amount of expenditures	\$31,657 31
Balance unexpended	2,414 52
	<u>—————</u>
	<u>\$34,071 83</u>

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Martin, R. M., superintendent	\$350 00
Pelo, W. J., superintendent	400 00
	<u>—————</u>
	<u>\$750 00</u>

PAY ROLL.

February	\$1,634 59
March	1,469 99
April	1,472 39
May	1,491 40
June	4,423 33
September	1,996 40
October	1,862 20
November	2,059 20
December	2,086 40
January	2,159 65
	<u>—————</u>
	<u>\$20,655 55</u>
Janitors	<u>\$1,272 26</u>

FUEL.

Honors, B. O. & Son	<u>\$1,976 35</u>
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SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

American Book Co., supplies . . .	\$272 62
Allyn & Bacon, supplies . . .	70 29
American Express Co., expressing . .	16 88
Babb & Co., Edward E., supplies . .	170 51
Bailey, Edward M., insurance . . .	62 50
Bailey, Sarah, substitute teacher . .	6 00
Bailey, Mrs. Edwin, substituting . .	1 00
Bauer, R. S., supplies . . .	1 55
Barnard & Co., F. J., supplies . . .	39 30
Brockway-Smith Corporation, supplies .	4 35
Brooks, Laura C., services . . .	85 00
Brown & Co., Charles D., supplies . .	5 25
Curtis, H. M., tuning piano . . .	3 00
Ditson, Oliver, supplies . . .	3 30
Delano, Gilbert, stock and labor . .	348 57
Campbell Electric Co., supplies . . .	8 35
Congdon, S. Perry, expense . . .	8 95
Eastman & Bradford, surveying . . .	3 50
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . .	14 02
Getchell, A. E., labor . . .	55 00
Gregg, Florence, services . . .	50 00
Embree & Co., W. F., supplies . . .	3 66
Educational Publishing Co., supplies .	2 27
Frost & Adams Co., supplies . . .	152 59
Ginn & Co., supplies . . .	266 27
Gregg Publishing Co., supplies . . .	40
Harding & Co., J. W., supplies . . .	46 45
Hammett Co., J. L., supplies . . .	900 35
Heath & Co., D. C., supplies . . .	114 38
Holden & Co., G. H., supplies . . .	26 26
Hayner Co., N. C., supplies . . .	11 00
Homan, James, labor . . .	6 00
Houghton, Mifflin Co., supplies . . .	70 75

Amount carried forward,

\$2,830 32

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount bought forward,</i>	\$2,830 32
Hubbard, John T., supplies . . .	3 25
Hussey, Mrs. G. R., substituting . . .	3 00
Hutchinson Lumber Co., supplies . . .	35 45
Jordan, Marsh Co., supplies . . .	25 50
Jenkins, A. H., stock and labor . . .	80 33
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, supplies . . .	1,082 20
King, George F. & Co., supplies . . .	71 25
Knott, L. E. Co., supplies . . .	58 28
Knowlton, D. F., stock and labor . . .	18 70
La Lo Manufacturing Co., supplies . . .	28 50
Leary, D. S.	2 50
Lynn Gas & Electric Co.	23 09
Lynn, City of tuition	150 00
Longmans, Green & Co., supplies . . .	9 48
Lowrey, Mabel E., substituting . . .	22 64
Lurvey, S. S., services	13 00
Maker, Emma, cleaning Beach school-house	2 00
McCarty, J. F. Co., supplies . . .	2 00
Martin, Nathan B., labor	3 74
Mass. Bible Society, supplies . . .	1 50
Meek, H. M., Publishing Co., directory, . . .	2 00
Murphy, Leavens & Co., supplies . . .	46 17
Nelson, J. M., supplies	1 25
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	19 86
Nichols, Thomas P., printing and supplies	97 75
Newhall, W. F., supplies and labor . . .	14 00
Owen, E. J., substituting and labor . . .	15 60
Palmer, Co., The, supplies	1 62
Phillips, C. C., stock and labor . . .	20 23
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor . . .	42 52
Porter, F. V., school census	35 00

Amount carried forward,

\$4,762 73

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$4,762 73
Pelo, W. J., expenses	9 95
Police Department	6 22
Powers & Lyons, supplies	2 97
Porter, Milton D., insurance	220 50
Rand, McNally & Co., supplies	275 63
Remington Typewriter Co., supplies	1 20
Russell, Ralph H., stock	1 25
Roderick, Charles, washing rollers	16 00
Rowell, Edgar, painting	4 50
Sanborn, B. H. Co., supplies	44 13
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor	53 95
Sewer Department	16 82
Shephard, William, expressing	39 75
Shepard, Clark & Co., supplies	1 35
Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies	80 76
Scribners' Sons, Charles, supplies	92
Smart, Stephen, insurance	108 00
Smith, George C., contract and supplies,	84 20
Stubbs, A. W., supplies, expenses, etc.,	2 55
Stubbs, A. W. services as secretary	45 00
Swampscott Hall Association, rent	450 00
Swampscott Water Works	262 00
Siegel, Henry Co., stock and labor	106 50
Thurston, Frank D., labor	38 00
Till, G. T., insurance and supplies	193 50
Titus & Buckley Co., supplies	26 98
Valpey, F. B., writing diplomas	3 80
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., supplies	4 19
Wardwell, H. W., labor and stock	54 75
Whitten, Frank S., printing	8 50
Wilson, Abbie, substitute teacher	24 00
Winchester, C. F., supplies	5 00
Wiley, Edwin F., stock and labor	46 70
White, Anderson, re-seating chair	85
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	\$7,003 15

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bauer, R. S., directory	\$3 50
Blanchard, F. S., & Co. supplies	1 00
Blaney & Newcomb, photographing	6 00
Boynton & Co., newspapers	4 68
Bicknell, R. E., M. D., professional services	3 00
Chase, Amos B., caps	5 40
Campbell Electric Co., supplies	2 85
Collins Hardware Co., supplies	1 75
Connell, Charles, expenses	1 35
Dunlap, C. H., expenses	27 16
Evans & Cole, carriage hire	25 00
Delano, Gilbert, stock and labor	4 75
Doane, George H., labor	50
Doane, L. M., screens	5 00
Hammond, Aldebert S., expenses	1 85
Holden & Co., Geo. H., supplies	22 55
Honors & Son, B. O., fuel	62 50
Getchell, A. E., carriage hire	1 00
Johnston, Robert, carriage hire	1 00
Knowlton, D. F., supplies and repairs	5 40
King & Co., Geo. F., supplies	3 22
La Lo Manufacturing Co., supplies	5 00
Lynn Gas and Electric Co.	74 38
Meek, H. M. Publishing Co., directory	2 00
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	65 06
Niles, Wm. H., professional services	69 65
Pedrick, J. H., expenses	3 30
Smith, G. C., supplies	3 30
Spinney, Joseph, car fares and expenses	4 40
Swampscott Water Works	9 50
Swampscott Lumber Co., rent of telephone	25 00

Amount carried forward,

\$451 05

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$451 05
Vincent, C. H., services	28 80
Violette, C. A., emergency outfit . .	2 00
Whitten, F. S., printing	20 25
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	\$502 10
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RECAPITULATION.

Pay rolls, regular police	\$4,731 00
Pay rolls, special police	425 40
Miscellaneous	502 10
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	\$5,658 50
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RECEIPTS.

Court fines	\$725 00
Sundry receipts	326 48
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	\$1,051 48
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DUE FROM

Sundry parties	\$49 50
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Fire Department.

Appropriation	\$8,200 00
Receipts	1,198 30
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	\$9,398 30
Amount of expenditures	\$9,367 60
Balance unexpended	30 70
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	\$9,398 30
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Permanent men	\$5,278 50
Call men	\$1,265 02

FUEL.

Honors, B. O. & Son	\$207 36
Newman, H. F. & Co.	20 22
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	\$227 58

HAY AND GRAIN.

Holden, George H. & Co.	\$286 72
Jennings, Harry	287 00
Torrence, Vary Co.	329 50
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	\$903 22

MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co.	\$ 50
Amé & Co., supplies	12 00
Blaney, H. C., labor	14 49
Butts & Ordway Co., supplies	13 15
Burgan, M. E., lawn mower	1 00
Cullen Bros., blacksmithing	36 00
Cahoon, G. P., emergency outfit and expenses	5 30
Callahan Co., Cornelius, supplies	38 63
Clay, G. F., labor	3 00
Cooper, F. J., labor and stock	6 50

Amount carried forward,

\$1305 57

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$130 57
Craig, W. F., stamps	2 00
Doane, George H., stock and labor	70 00
Dame, Stoddard & Co., supplies	4 25
Eastern Oil & Gasolene Co., supplies	16 80
Emerson, Daniel, professional services	21 00
Feehan, J. B., supplies	6 85
Hasmon, J. & Co., soap	3 80
Hodgkins, E. G., supplies	12 53
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies	96 49
Hutchinson Lumber Co., supplies	31 90
Jenkins, A. H., stock and labor	28 58
La Lo Manufacturing Co., supplies	11 00
Knowlton, D. F., supplies	1 80
Lynn Gas & Electric Co.	101 27
Lynch & Cooper, supplies	6 45
Meek, H. M. Publishing Co., directory	2 00
Mendlow Bros., supplies	47 00
North, J. R., supplies	1 60
New England Gas & Coke Co., supplies,	20 33
New England Supply Co., supplies	6 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	51 58
Norcross, W. P., supplies	4 75
Oliver, F. S., labor	12 42
Owens, J. G., blacksmithing	143 95
Phillips, Charles C., supplies	1 10
Pettingell, Andrews Co., supplies	9 40
Poole, W. F., stock and labor	8 00
Potter, A. G., steam for whistle	300 00
Questrom, A. E., stock and labor	2 57
Quinn, M. L., roofing	38 00
Raimes & Co., supplies	7 50
Read, William & Sons	1 25
Roebbing's, J. A. Sons Co., supplies	72 34

Amount carried forward,

\$1,375 08

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Amount brought forward,

\$1,375 08

Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . .	6 00
Sawyer, E. S., painting . . .	4 05
Simpson, James & Co., insurance . .	184 50
Smart, Stephen, insurance . . .	21 50
Smith, George C., supplies . . .	36 49
Smith Iron Foundry, supplies . . .	75
Smith, W. F., supplies . . .	25 25
Standard Oil Co., supplies . . .	10 20
Stuart-Howland Co., supplies . . .	3 00
Stevens, G. M. Co., supplies . . .	24 56
Swampscott Water Works . . .	51 00
Tupper, John, ladder . . .	10 10
Till, George T., supplies . . .	21 25
Violette, C. A., two emergency outfits .	4 00
Winchester Tar Disinfectant Co., sup- plies	10 35
White Liniment Co., supplies . . .	3 00
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing .	2 20

\$1,693 28

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries, permanent men . . .	\$5,278 50
Pay roll, call men . . .	1,265 02
Fuel	227 58
Hay and grain	903 22
Miscellaneous	1,693 28

\$9,367 60

FIRE DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS.

J. G. Owens, rent of shop	\$10 00
Whistle	18 00
Street watering	1,170 00
Telephone tolls	30
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	\$1,198 30

Health Department.

Appropriation	\$3,500 00
Amount overdrawn	643 02
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	\$4,143 02
Amount of expenditures	\$4,143 02

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Haley, Michael	\$85 00
Stone, Jasper H.	85 00
Stratton, F. B., balance of salary 1905-6,	50 00
Stratton, F. B., Chairman Board of Health	100 00
Nies, Martin E., office work	358 80
Patten, W. R., services as clerk, 1905-6,	50 00
Patten, W. R., services as clerk	75 00
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	\$803 80

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co., expressing	\$3 45
Bauer, R. S., supplies	14 99
Bicknell, R. E., M. D., professional service	2 13
Carroll, W. H., fumigating	6 00
Coan, Peter, burying carrion	1 50
Courtis, G. B., care of night soil	100 00
Crowell, Jos. F., supplies	1 35
Delano, L. A., burying carrion	50
Finnegan, Martin, burying carrion	1 00
Finnegan, Michael, labor	13 00
Gilley, Richard G., serving notices, etc.,	57 71
Gannon, D. J., burying carrion	1 00
Holden & Co., G. H., supplies	8 90
Jeffers, C. P., supplies	58 90
Harris, Geo., care of boat	1 00
Little, Brown & Co., supplies	11 00
Lowd, H. M., M. D., professional services	16 00
Massachusetts, Commonwealth of, diphtheria outfits	1 00
Meek, H. M., Publishing Co., directory,	2 00
McDonough, M., burying carrion	15 85
Nies, Martin E., inspections	807 59
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.	65 38
Nesbett, D. W., labor on beach	1 00
McDonough, M., cleaning beaches	277 50
Patten, W. R., investigating complaints,	13 50
Pay roll, cleaning beaches	163 00
Porter, Frank V., clerical work	6 00
Rainford, L., collecting offal and ashes,	1,547 75
Rowell, C. G., supplies	90

Amount carried forward,

\$3,199 90

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,199 90
Stratton, F. B., expenses	1 25
Southwick, W. H., professional services,	83 32
Sutherst, Thomas C., inspecting plumb- ing Clarke school	15 00
Whitten, Frank S., printing	39 75
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	<u>\$3,339 22</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$803 80
Miscellaneous	3,339 22
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	<u>\$4,143 02</u>

Highway Department.

Appropriation	\$9,000 00
Receipts	872 36
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	<u>\$9,872 36</u>
Amount of expenditures	\$9,053 63
Balance unexpended	818 73
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	<u>\$9,872 36</u>

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Ryan, M. J., Superintendent . . .	\$1,020 00
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Pay roll, labor	\$6,986 25
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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Belben, Nathaniel, carpentering . . .	\$7 50
Buffalo Steam Roller Co., supplies . . .	2 50
Champion, John, care of lights . . .	5 75
Cullen Bros., blacksmithing . . .	45 80
Cryan, Patrick, sweeping crossings . . .	12 75
Delano, Gilbert, stock and labor . . .	22 05
Eastman & Bradford, surveying . . .	8 00
Embree, W. F. & Co., supplies . . .	15 99
Fay & Co., W. L., stock and labor . . .	40 08
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . .	2 00
Glidden, H. K., M. D., professional services . . .	12 00
Griffin, Frank, stock and labor . . .	3 20
Hodgkins, E. G., supplies . . .	4 30
Hutchinson, W. H., supplies . . .	9 10
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . .	105 33
Holden, G. H. & Co., supplies . . .	59 30
Jennings, Harry, supplies . . .	75
Knowlton, D. F., stock and labor . . .	1 75
Lyons, J. T., stock and labor . . .	7 50
North, John R., supplies . . .	7 25
North Shore Express Co., expressing . . .	25
Owens, J. G., blacksmithing . . .	44 75
Philbrick & Pope, supplies . . .	28 95
Perfect Packing Co., supplies . . .	3 10
Porter, M. D., insurance . . .	41 29
Plumstead M. & Son, supplies . . .	1 25
Quinn, Martin L., repairing roof . . .	20 00
Roberts, Edward B., board of horse . . .	220 00
Rowell, Edgar W., painting signs and snow plow . . .	20 50
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . .	24 33
Sawyer, E. S., painting . . .	2 00

Amount carried forward,

\$779 32

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$779 32
Smart, Stephen, insurance . . .	38 00
Swampscott Water Works . . .	5 50
Shattuck & Delano, supplies . . .	3 71
Toothaker, E. I., supplies . . .	60
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing . .	1 75
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	\$828 88
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RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$1,020 00
Pay roll	7,204 75
Miscellaneous	828 88
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	\$9,053 63
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RECEIPTS.

Excise tax	\$803 41
Use of roller	24 00
Stone	16 00
Buggy	25 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	3 95
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	\$872 36
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DUE FROM.

Coleman Bros., for stone	\$19 50
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Park Department.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Receipts	264 76	
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Amount of expenditures	\$833 97	
Balance unexpended	430 79	
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EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Blanchard, H. W., Superintendent	<u>\$334 00</u>
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Blanchard, H. W., supplies	\$25 06
Cahoon, A. O., labor	5 00
Coan, Peter, labor	4 00
Cousens & Pratt, flag	7 00
Evans & Cole, labor with team	10 00
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor	8 46
Gay, Charles W., surveying	15 00
Getchell, A. E., labor	11 00
King, G. F. & Co., supplies	6 25
Newhall, George, care Monument ave. plot	175 00
Niles, William H., professional services,	81 68
Police Department, services	61 25
Poole, W. F., stock and labor	22 17
Sawyer, E. S., stock and labor	7 35
Smith, Everett, labor	4 00
Swampscott Water Works	47 90
Wiley, Edward F., stock and labor	8 85
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	<u>\$499 97</u>

PARK DEPARTMENT.

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$334 00
Miscellaneous	499 97
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	<u>\$833 97</u>

RECEIPTS.

H. W. Blanchard, rents	\$264 76
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Swampscott Water Department.

Amount of orders paid by Treasurer .	<u>\$23,292 77</u>
Expenditures	<u>\$23,292 77</u>

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Bates, W. H.	\$200 00
Haskell, C. S.	200 00
Kehoe, S. M.	200 00
Pollard, Kendall	1,275 00
Hawes, Edwin W., services as clerk .	48 00
Libby, James W., services as clerk .	63 00
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	<u>\$1,986 00</u>
Pay roll	<u>\$3,666 84</u>

SWAMPSCOTT WATER DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Ball, P. B., rebate	\$5 13
Bourneuf, Louis & Co., supplies	274 35
Bicknell, R. E., M. D., professional services	12 00
Crosby Steam Gauge & Valve Co., supplies	3 20
Chapman Valve Co., supplies	44 05
Citizens Savings bank	1,000 00
Chelsea Savings bank, sinking fund	500 00
Coffin Valve Co., supplies	94 00
Collins Hardware Co., supplies	13 05
Cullen Bros., blacksmithing	6 05
Dunn & Mackenzie, supplies	67 30
Delory, W. A., supplies	144 66
Edson Manufacturing Co., labor	3 54
Eddy Valve Co., supplies	322 00
Ellis, A. R., lumber	2 50
Evans & Cole, wagon hire	52 50
Getchell, A. E., teaming	24 50
Harris Sons, H. S., one horse	250 00
Hayes Manufacturing Co., supplies	6 25
Hersey Manufacturing Co., supplies	868 44
Holden, G. H. & Co., supplies	61 37
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel	22 50
Houdlette & Son, F. A., supplies	1,252 88
Howe, Oliver R., supplies	52 64
King, G. F. & Co., supplies	16 05
Lead Lined Pipe Co., supplies	1,259 67
Lyons, J. T., stock and labor	354 23
McDonough, M., labor	201 77
Meter Appliance Co., supplies	38 40
Metropolitan Water Board	4,800 00
Meek Co., H. M., directory	2 00

Amount carried forward,

\$11,755 03

SWAMPSCOTT WATER DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$11,755 03
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . .	17 09
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . .	23 00
New Bedford Five Cent Bank, sinking fund	1,000 00
National Water Meter Co., supplies .	472 87
Nichols, Thomas P., printing . . .	15 00
Owens, J. G., blacksmithing . . .	96 73
Paul, Henry C., insurance	11 28
Philbrick & Pope, labor	11 84
Pollard Kendall, expense	139 04
Porter, M. D., commissioners' bond .	45 00
Quinn, Martin L., labor	60 00
Reynolds, E. T., stock and labor . .	64 85
Rowell, Charles G., stock and labor .	20 50
Rowell, F. E., supplies	30 56
Roby & Co., W. G., supplies . . .	129 80
Security Safe Deposit & Trust Co., rent of vault	5 00
Stratton, F. B., board of horse, etc. .	235 00
Salem, City of, taxes	14 00
Smith, A. P. Co., supplies	490 00
Sumner & Gerald Co., supplies . . .	284 64
Standard Oil Co., supplies	5 00
Thomson Meter Co., supplies	529 20
Union Water Meter Co., meters . . .	58 80
Wardwell, Robert B., rebate	35 00
Waldo Bros., supplies	2 10
Westborough Savings Bank, sinking fund	300 00
Wilson, H. J., charcoal	18 00
Whittredge, W. C. & Co., cement . .	6 60
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing . .	20 50
Worthington, H. R., supplies	1,743 50
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	\$17,639 93

SWAMPSCOTT WATER DEPARTMENT.

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$1,986 00
Pay roll	3,666 84
Miscellaneous	17,639 93
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	\$23,292 77
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Sewer Department.

Amount of orders paid by treasurer,	\$20,375 22
Expenditures	\$20,375 22
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EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Bunting, Aaron R., Chairman of Sewer Commissioners	\$200 00
Bunting, A. R., Superintendent of Sewers	260 00
Curtis, E. H., Commissioner . . .	200 00
Till, George T., clerk and collector,	240 00
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	\$900 00
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Pay roll, labor	\$1,646 50
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Bunting, A. R., expenses . . .	\$12 70
Benner, F. R., awnings . . .	4 83
Boston Herald Co., advertising .	6 36
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$23 89

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$23 89
Bryne Co., G. M., contract . . .	4,444 85
City Trust Co., assignee, contract .	6,791 91
Chesley, I. L., services . . .	1 00
Curtis, E. H., supplies . . .	2 00
Delory, W. A., stock and labor .	28 08
Ellery, John E., services . . .	100 00
Embree, W. F. & Co., stock and labor	134 73
Evans & Cole, team . . .	3 50
The Fairbanks Co., iron . . .	12 17
Fish, Howard C., supplies . . .	2 50
Fowler, Robert L., land damage .	10 00
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor .	31 22
L. E. Gorham, stock and labor . .	18 05
Glass, Joseph W., labor . . .	3 75
Gloil Manufacturing Co., oil . .	1 00
Hastings & Sons Publishing Co., adver- tising	5 50
Hill, Welch & Co., supplies . . .	2 00
Holden, & Co., G. H., supplies . .	8 30
Hutchinson, W. H., supplies . . .	1 40
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber . .	32 96
Knowlton, D. F., repairs . . .	3 35
Lampard, G. H., painting . . .	10 42
Long, J. C., engineering and plans .	174 65
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., lights . .	2 98
Lyons, J. T., labor	253 19
Lynch & Woodward, pump . . .	3,316 00
Mason Regulator Co., supplies . .	1 85
McDonough, M., stock and labor . .	114 52
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . .	32 86
Nichols, Thomas P., printing . . .	31 00
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor .	85 49

Amount brought forward,

\$15,685 12

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$15,685 12
Perrins, Seamans Co., supplies . . .	90 76
Police Department, services . . .	76 10
Roberts, C. E., manager, services . . .	80 00
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . .	6 05
Swett, W. H., supplies . . .	5 00
Shephard, W. E., expressing . . .	4 00
Smith, George C., supplies . . .	17 75
Sprague & Breed Coal Co., coal . . .	401 33
Swampscott Water Works, rentals . . .	152 33
Stone Estate, Otis, rebate . . .	5 70
Toothaker, F. S., services . . .	2 00
Tuttle, H. Scott, settlement of claim . . .	80 00
Shattuck & Delano, oil . . .	50
Valvoline Oil Co., supplies . . .	98 44
Whittredge, W. C., supplies . . .	3 55
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing . . .	6 50
Worthington, E., engineering . . .	1,113 59
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	\$17,828 72
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RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$900 00
Pay roll, labor	1,646 50
Miscellaneous	17,828 72
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	\$20,375 22
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Town Hall Department.

Appropriation	\$1,400 00	
Receipts	249 00	
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Amount of expenditures	\$1,570 15	
Balance unexpended	78 85	
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EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Bradford, F. H., janitor	\$178 50
Martin, Eben S., janitor	475 00
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	<u>\$653 50</u>

MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co., expressing	\$ 36
Eastman, E. S., repairing clock	6 00
Galeucia & Son J. A., labor	7 00
Delano, Gilbert, labor	48 21
Doane, George, laying stage in Town Hall	25 00
Getchell, A. E., removing ashes	6 00
Hodgkins, E. G., supplies	55
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies	12 38
Harding, J. W. & Co. supplies	16 00
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel	285 78
Knowlton, D. F., stock and labor	21 14
King, George F. & Co., supplies	52 02
La Lo Manufacturing Co., supplies	12 20
Lampard, G. H., stock and labor	6 98
Lynn, Gas & Electric Co.	37 38
Martin, Eben, supplies and expense	10 95

Amount carried forward,

\$547 95

TOWN HALL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$547 95
Martin, Frank, labor	1 00
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor . .	39 36
Pettingell, S. J., supplies	1 52
Pigeon, H. & Sons, flag pole and setting	245 00
Sampson & Allen, supplies	2 13
Shattuck & Delano, supplies	2 44
Smith, George C., supplies	22 25
Sulpho-Naphthol Co., supplies	3 00
Swampscott Water Works, water rates,	48 00
Thomas, H. N. & Co., supplies	80
Till, G. T., supplies	3 20
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	\$916 65

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$653 50
Miscellaneous	916 65
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	\$1,570 15

RECEIPTS.

Use of hall	\$249 00
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Free Public Library.

Appropriation	\$800 00
County of Essex	562 40
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	\$1,362 40
Expenditures	\$1,107 09
Balance unexpended	255 31
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	\$1,362 40

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Honors, S. L., librarian . . .	\$330 00
Blaney, Herbert W., assistant librarian .	55 00
Russell, Ralph H., assistant librarian .	20 00
Nesmith, Robert, assistant librarian .	13 00
Till, Raymond, assistant librarian . .	17 00
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	\$435 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Barnard F. J. & Co., binding books .	\$105 90
Boynton & Co., supplies . . .	73 00
Gifford, W. B., supplies . . .	7 28
Lauriat, Charles E. Co., supplies . .	389 10
Library Bureau, supplies . . .	1 00
Metcalf, E. F., supplies . . .	36 75
Morris & Co., J. D., supplies . . .	9 60
Nichols, Thomas P., printing . . .	37 50
Rogers, Thomas W., books . . .	4 81
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing .	7 15
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	\$672 09

Poor Department.

Appropriation	\$2,500 00
Reimbursements	515 60
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	\$3,015 60
Amount of expenditures	\$2,376 38
Balance unexpended	639 22
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	\$3,015 60

POOR DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Crowell, Joseph F., services as chairman	\$100 00
Curtis, T. P., services as overseer . . .	60 00
Kendrick, Mrs. L. E., services as clerk .	50 00
Russell, Edmund, services as overseer .	60 00

\$270 00

GROCERIES.

Caverly Bros.	\$3 00
Holden George H. & Co., . . .	146 42
Hodgkins, Elias G.	220 00
Pierce, A. L.	140 53
Shattuck & Delano	113 62
Thomas, H. N. & Co.	34 90

\$658 47

BOARD AND RENT.

Adams, F. E.	\$74 99
Bassett, J. M.	21 00
Johnson, Lena Mrs.	67 47
Leadbetter, I. S.	84 00
Muzzey, Elvira A.	20 00
Nickerson, Josiah	140 00
Paine, Mary A.	255 00
Porter, M. D.	85 00
Sanborn, Mark	84 00
Tucker, E. J.	72 00
Wallis, W. A.	64 00
Watts, Stephen	83 00

\$1,050 46

POOR DEPARTMENT.

FUEL.

Honors, B. O. & Sons	\$181 25
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PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

Massachusetts, Commonwealth of, aid rendered	\$109 20
Peabody, Town of, aid rendered	55 00
Salem, City of, aid rendered	4 00
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	\$168 20

MISCELLANEOUS.

Armitage, Joseph E., use of hack . . .	\$6 00
Bicknell, R. E., M. D., professional services	24 00
Kendrick, Mrs. L. E., expenses . . .	1 40
Park Department, rent	9 60
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . . .	7 00
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	\$48 00

REIMBURSEMENTS.

By Commonwealth of Massachusetts . .	\$80 63
By cities and towns	433 91
By individuals	1 06
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	\$515 60

DUE FROM.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts . . .	\$1 00
City of Lynn	392 03
Town of Hudson	13 75
Town of Saugus	10 00
Sundry parties	341 51
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	\$758 29

POOR DEPARTMENT.

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$270 00
Groceries	658 47
Board and rent	1,050 46
Fuel	181 25
Public institutions	168 20
Miscellaneous	48 00

\$2,376 38

Military Aid.

Chapter 372, Acts of 1899.

EXPENDITURES.

1906.

March	\$32 00
April	16 00
May	16 00
June	8 00
July	8 00
August	8 00
September	8 00
October	8 00
November	8 00
December	8 00

1907.

January	8 00
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\$128 00

REIMBURSEMENTS.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$96 00
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DUE FROM.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$80 00
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State Aid.

Chapter 374. Acts of 1899.

EXPENDITURES.

1906.

March	\$512 00
April	243 00
May	247 00
June	247 00
July	241 00
August	245 00
September	231 00
October	239 00
November	239 00
December	243 00
January	237 00

\$2,924 00

REIMBURSEMENTS.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts . . .	\$2,954 00
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DUE FROM.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts . . .	\$3,426 00
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Soldiers' Relief Department.

Appropriation	\$2,300 00
Amount of expenditures	\$2,196 33
Balance unexpended	103 67
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	\$2,300 00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURES.

GROCERIES.

Carpenter, E. A.	\$130 00
Hodgkins, Elias G.	110 00
Puritan Market	241 00
Shattuck & Delano	759 50
Thomas, H. N. & Co.	276 00
Pettingell, S. J.	127 50

\$1,644 00

FUEL.

Honors, B. O. & Son	\$196 03
Robinson, J. M.	22 50

\$218 53

RENTS.

Hurley, M., estate	\$96 00
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Aid rendered sundry parties	\$192 00
Mower, Earl A., burial	35 00
Swampscott Park Commissioners, rent	10 80

\$237 80

RECAPITULATION.

Groceries	\$1,644 00
Fuel	218 53
Rent	96 00
Miscellaneous	237 80

\$2,196 33

REIMBURSEMENT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$70 00
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Memorial Day.

Appropriation	\$175 00
Expenditures	<u>175 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Post 118, G. A. R.	<u>\$175 00</u>
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Monument Lot.

Appropriation	\$30 00
Expenditures	<u>30 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Glass, Joseph W., care of lot	\$25 00
Swampscott Water Works, use of hose	.	.	.	.	.	<u>5 00</u>
						<u>\$30 00</u>

Street Watering.

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,700 00
Receipts	.	.	.	.	.	49 50
Amount overdrawn	.	.	.	.	.	<u>376 28</u>
						\$3,125 78
Amount of expenditures	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$3,125 78</u>

STREET WATERING DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURES.

Bruley, J. W., painting cart . . .	\$25 00
Evans & Cole, watering streets . . .	587 50
Getchell, A. E., watering streets . . .	472 50
Knowlton, D. F., labor . . .	1 00
North, John R., repairing . . .	9 00
Roberts, E. B., watering streets . . .	447 50
Rowe, Allen S., watering streets . . .	369 00
Swampscott Water Works, stock and labor	44 28
Swampscott Fire Department, watering streets	1,170 00
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	<u>\$3,125 78</u>

Water Rates.

Appropriation	\$1,150 00
Amount overdrawn	20 00
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	\$1,170 00
Amount of expenditures	<u>\$1,170 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Swampscott Water Works	<u>\$1,170 00</u>
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Street Light Department.

Appropriation	\$10,000 00
Amount of expenditures	\$9,011 62
Balance unexpended	988 38
	<hr/> \$10,000 00

EXPENDITURES.

Lynn Gas & Electric Co.	\$8,950 87
Nocross, Percy, care of lights Burrill street bridge	50 75
Ray, M. W. & Son, team	10 00
	<hr/> \$9,011 62

Cemetery Department.

Appropriation	\$1,600 00
Sale of lots	200 00
	<hr/> \$1,800 00
Amount of expenditures	\$1,472 63
Balance unexpended	327 37
	<hr/> \$1,800 00

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Pitman, J. P. M. S.	<hr/> \$450 00
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CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Blaney, E. G., plants and labor . . .	\$50 00
Finnegan, Michael, labor . . .	18 00
Gallo, Joe, labor . . .	12 00
Jenkins, A. H., stock and labor . . .	1 00
Lyons, J. T., labor . . .	536 18
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . .	17 37
Pagnotte Nicholas, labor . . .	264 00
Police Department, services . . .	2 25
Robinson, Thomas S., manure . . .	3 00
Rowell, A. M., stock and labor . . .	77 03
Swampscott Water Works . . .	25 00
Tlearaglino, Belino, labor . . .	8 00
Waters, E. M., stock and labor . . .	8 80
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	\$1,022 63

Clarke School.

Appropriation	\$7,585 83
Amount overdrawn	744 44
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	\$8,330 27
Amount of expenditures	\$8,330 27

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Fuller & Warren Co., contract . . .	\$1,732 20
Gorham, L. E., contract . . .	600 00
Gorham, L. E., extra labor . . .	30 00
Reynolds, E. T., contract and extras . . .	5,600 57
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . .	6 00
Wheeler & Betton, professional services, . . .	361 50
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	\$8,330 27

Grading Clarke School Lot.

Appropriation	\$300 00	
Amount overdrawn	89 83	
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Amount of expenditures		\$389 83
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		\$389 83

EXPENDITURES.

Eastman & Bradford, surveying	\$92 00
Getchell, Amos E., labor	10 00
Hutchinson, W. H., lawn seed	3 00
Lyons, James T., labor and stock	238 33
Nyberg & Co., John, gravel	45 00
Philbrick & Pope, stock	1 50
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	\$389 83
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Painting Town Hall and Police Station.

Appropriation	\$250 00	
Amount overdrawn	34 29	
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		\$284 29
Amount of expenditures		<hr/>
		\$284 29

EXPENDITURES.

Delory, W. A., stock and labor	\$74 54
Lampard, G. H., painting as per contract	209 75
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	\$284 29
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Supply Wagon.

Appropriation	\$75 00
Amount of expenditures	\$70 30
Balance unexpended	4 70
	<hr/> \$75 00 <hr/>

EXPENDITURES.

Lynn, City of, one wagon	\$20 00
North, Jno. R., wagon supplies	50 30
	<hr/> \$70 30 <hr/>

Orient Street Improvement.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Amount of expenditures	\$887 50
Balance unexpended	112 50
	<hr/> \$1,000 00 <hr/>

EXPENDITURES.

Eastman & Bradford, surveying	\$21 00
Lyons, J. T., contract	560 00
	<hr/> \$581 00 <hr/>
Pay roll, labor	\$306 50

Essex Street Improvement.

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$750 00
Amount of expenditures	\$698 00	
Balance unexpended	52 00	
					<u>52 00</u>	\$750 00

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll, labor	<u>\$698 00</u>
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Grant Road Improvement.

Appropriation	\$300 00
Amount overdrawn	6 00
					<u>6 00</u>	\$306 00
Amount of expenditures	<u>\$306 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll	<u>\$291 00</u>
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Eastman & Bradford, surveying	.	.				<u>\$15 00</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

Pay roll	\$291 00
Miscellaneous	15 00
					<u>15 00</u>	\$306 00

Essex Avenue.

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Amount overdrawn	46 90	
	<hr/>	\$546 90
Amount of expenditures		<u><u>\$546 90</u></u>

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll, labor	<u><u>\$492 25</u></u>
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Eastman & Bradford, surveying	\$46 50	
Lyons, J. T., gravel	5 30	
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor	2 85	
	<hr/>	\$54 65
		<u><u>\$54 65</u></u>

Danvers Street Bridge.

Appropriation	\$700 00	
Amount of expenditures	\$515 91	
Balance unexpended	184 09	
	<hr/>	\$700 00
		<u><u>\$700 00</u></u>

EXPENDITURES.

Boston & Maine R. R., constructing bridge	\$462 24	
Lyons, J. T., stock and labor	41 67	
Russell, Edwin, stock and labor	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$515 91.
		<u><u>\$515 91.</u></u>

Highway Building.

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$700 00	
Expenditures		<u>\$700 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Waters, E. M., contract for building	.						<u>\$700 00</u>
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Snow Department.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Amount of expenditures	\$622 50	
Balance unexpended	377 50	
						<u>377 50</u>	<u>\$1,000 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll, labor		<u>\$616 50</u>
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Dunn & Mackenzie, repairing	.	.					<u>\$6 00</u>
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Town Fences.

Appropriation	\$750 00	
Amount of expenditures	\$621 16	
Balance unexpended	128 84	
						<u>128 84</u>	<u>\$750 00</u>

TOWN FENCES.

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Delano, Gilbert, labor	\$95 00
DeLory, Walter A., contract . .	450 00
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . .	20 04
Hudson, Levi, stock and labor . .	32 70
Lampard, G. H., labor	19 42
Russell, Edmund, painting	4 00
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	\$621 16
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Concrete and Curbstone Department.

Appropriation	\$500 00
Receipts	1,166 46
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	\$1,666 46
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Amount of expenditures	\$1,603 28
Balance unexpended	63 18
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	\$1,666 46
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EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll	<hr/>
	\$315 22
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CONCRETE AND CURBSTONE DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Boston & Maine R. R., freight . . .	\$64 78
Dearborn Bros. & Co., curbing . . .	287 57
Eastman & Bradford, engineering . . .	76 50
Getchell, A. E., teaming . . .	61 82
McLaughlin, J. H., concrete . . .	407 07
Rockport Granite Co., curbing . . .	390 32

 \$1,288 06

RECAPITULATION.

Pay roll	\$315 22
Miscellaneous	1,288 06

 \$1,603 28

REIMBURSEMENTS.

Sundry parties	\$1,166 46
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DUE TO TOWN.

From sundry parties	\$243 09
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Continuous Sidewalk Department.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Receipts	244 92
Amount overdrawn	718 84
	<hr/> \$1,963 76
Amount of expenditures	\$1,963 76

CONTINUOUS SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll, labor	\$258 39
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Boston & Maine R. R., freight	.	.	\$47 34
Dearborn Bros. & Co., curbing	.	.	357 48
Eastman & Bradford, engineering	.	.	46 00
Getchell, A. E., teaming	.	.	51 22
McLaughlin, J. H., concrete	.	.	871 50
Rockport Granite Co., granite	.	.	331 83

 \$1,705 37

RECAPITULATION.

Pay roll	\$258 39
Miscellaneous	1,705 37

 \$1,963 76

REIMBURSEMENTS.

Sundry parties	\$244 92
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DUE TO TOWN.

From sundry parties	\$673 21
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Resetting Curbstones.

Appropriation	\$50 00
Amount of expenditures	\$43 00	
Balance unexpended	7 00	
						<hr/> \$50 00

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll, labor	\$43 00
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Catch Basins and Gutters.

Appropriation	\$800 00	
Amount overdrawn	11 39	
	<hr/>	\$811 39
Amount of expenditures		<u>\$811 39</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll	<u>\$765 49</u>
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Hayes Foundry Co., supplies	\$5 00
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor	29 40
Smith Iron Foundry, supplies	11 50
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	<u>\$45 90</u>

Crushed Stone Department.

Appropriation	\$1,200 00
Amount of expenditures	\$1,178 66
Balance unexpended	21 34
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	<u>\$1,200 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll	<u>\$779 62</u>
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Embree & Co., W. F., supplies	\$4 59
Good Roads Machinery Co., supplies	49 20
Honors & Son, B. O., fuel	72 73
Lyons, James T., labor	267 00
Perfect Packing Co., supplies	5 52
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	<u>\$399 04</u>

Sidewalk Department.

Appropriation	\$500 00
Amount of expenditures	\$491 60
Balance unexpended	8 40
	<hr/> \$500 00

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll, labor	<hr/> \$404 00
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Hunt, A., sand	\$25 00
Lyons, J. T., labor	50 00
Phillips, Maria L., estate, gravel	12 60
	<hr/> \$87 60

RECAPITULATION.

Pay roll	\$404 00
Miscellaneous	87 60
	<hr/> \$491 60

Pine Street Building.

Appropriation	\$300 00
Amount of expenditures	\$294 96
Balance unexpended	5 04
	<hr/> \$300 00

EXPENDITURES.

Butcher, J. W., stock and labor	\$68 78
Delory, W. A., contract	96 00
Gifford, W. B., papering	63 68
Gilson, Hatch & Wood, gas piping and fixtures	34 00
Lampard, G. H., stock and labor	32 50
	<hr/> \$294 96

Moth Department.

Appropriation	\$5,078 12	
Amount overdrawn	2,084 22	
	<hr/>	\$7,162 34

Amount of expenditures	<hr/>	\$7,162 34
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EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll	<hr/>	\$6,727 61
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Breck, Jos. & Sons, supplies	\$5 80
Blakely, C. A., cleaning knives	6 30
Bowker Insecticide Co., supplies	94 50
Chesterton, A. W. & Co., supplies	3 75
Dennis, J. D. & Son, repairing tools	4 95
Frost, H. L. & Co., supplies	106 08
Delory, W. A. stock and labor	6 15
Harding, J. W. & Co., supplies	37 72
Hilton & Sons, expressing	2 75
Hutchinson Lumber Co., supplies	5 02
Holden, G. H. & Co., supplies	26 64
Hutchinson, W. H., supplies	50 50
Laybold, James, saw filing	7 50
Newhall, George, expenses	13 50
Standard Oil Co., supplies	53 87
Vincent, F. E., supplies	7 20
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing	2 50
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	\$434 73

Tree Warden Department.

Appropriation		\$250 00
Amount of expenditures	\$167 79	
Balance unexpended	82 21	
	<hr/>	\$250 00

EXPENDITURES.

Pay roll	\$105 74
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Holden, G. H. & Co., supplies . . .	\$17 80
Hussey, Bessie B., damage	3 00
Robinson, Thomas S., loam	10 00
Shady Hill Nursery Co., stock . . .	31 25
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	\$62 05

Phillips School Medal Fund.

On deposit in Lynn Five Cent Savings		
Bank	\$700 80	
Interest to January 1st, 1907	24 73	
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On deposit in Lynn Institution for Sav-		
ings	\$768 32	
Interest to November 1st, 1906	26 23	
	<hr/>	\$794 55
Paid for medals	50 25	
	<hr/>	\$744 30

Interest.

Appropriation for notes payable (interest)	.	.	\$4,500 00
Appropriation for sewer bonds (interest)	.	.	7,500 00
Interest on treasurer's deposits	.	.	457 03
Amount overdrawn	.	.	2,158 55
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			\$14,615 58
Expenditures	.	.	<u>\$14,615 58</u>

EXPENDITURES.

1906.			
Feb. 5.	Com. of Mass., Note 115	.	\$44 10
Feb. 24.	Com. Savings Bank, Lynn (coupons)	.	20 00
Feb. 24.	Salem Five Cents Savings Bank (coupons)	.	20 00
Feb. 25.	W. E. Symonds, (coupons)	.	60 00
Mar. 9.	Com. of Mass., Notes 124, 125 and 126,		148 50
Mar. 22.	Edgerly & Crocker (temporary loan)	.	582 56
May 7.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 149	.	24 38
May 16.	Lynn Institution for Savings (temporary loan)	.	668 75
May 18.	Com. of Mass., Note 129	.	179 88
May 22.	Com. of Mass., Notes 112, 113 and 155,		145 25
May 22.	Lynn Institution of Savings, Notes 151 and 154	.	262 50
May 25.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Notes 146, 147 and 148	.	444 19
May 29.	Com. of Mass., Notes 116, 117 and 136,		157 70
June 4.	Com. of Mass., Note 119	.	110 85
June 19.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 165	.	49 00
June 30.	Com. of Mass., Note 120	.	68 15
July 16.	Com. of Mass., Notes 156 to 164 inclusive,		519 75
July 25.	National Security Bank, Lynn (temp. loan)	.	364 17
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>			\$3,869 73

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$3,869 73
July 30.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 105 .	56 25
Aug. 6.	Com. of Mass., Note 115 . . .	44 10
Aug. 20.	Com. Trust Co., Boston (perm. loan) .	187 50
Aug. 24.	Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Note 139,	20 00
Aug. 24.	Com. Savings Bank, Lynn (coupons) .	20 00
Aug. 25.	Com. Trust Co., Boston, Note 142 .	60 00
Sept. 7.	Town of Wellfleet, Note 140 . . .	20 00
Sept. 10.	Com. of Mass., Notes 125 and 126 .	148 50
Nov. 5.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 149 .	24 38
Nov. 19.	Com. of Mass., Notes 129 and 130 .	179 88
Nov. 22.	Com. of Mass., Notes 112, 113 and 155,	145 25
Nov. 22.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Notes 151, 152, 153 and 154	262 50
Nov. 26.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Notes 147 and 148	327 18
Nov. 26.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 146 .	117 00
Nov. 29.	Com. of Mass., Notes 116 and 117, .	105 00
Nov. 29.	Com. of Mass., Note 136	52 70
Dec. 22.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 165,	49 00
Dec. 26.	National Security Bank, Lynn (temp. loan)	255 45
Jan. 1.	Com. of Mass., Note 120	68 16
Jan. 15.	Com. of Mass., Notes 156 to 164 inclu- sive	519 75
Jan. 31.	Lynn Institution for Savings, Note 105,	56 25
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		6,588 58
Sewer Bond interest		8,027 00
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Interest on treasurer's deposits		\$457 03
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**George T. Till, Collector of Taxes, in Account Current
with the Town of Swampscott.**

1906.

DR.

To amount committed for collection, as
per assessors' warrant:

County tax	\$11,649 03
State tax	16,090 84
Town tax	96,929 37
Supplementary list	87 80
Moth assessment	777 25
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	\$125,534 29

CR.

By cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer, to Febrnary 1, 1907	\$114,688 30
By cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer, February 1 to March 1, 1907	4,349 87
Abatements by Assessors	1,790 69
Discount 2 per cent taxes paid on or before October 1, 1906	1,887 71
Uncollected taxes (to be advertised or otherwise collected)	2,817 72
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	\$125,534 29

DR.

To excise tax Boston & Northern R. R. Co.	\$803 41
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CR.

By cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer	\$803 41
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**George T. Till, Collector of Taxes in Account
Current with Town of Swampscott, 1905.**

DR.

Balance uncollected, March 1, 1906,	\$1402 35
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CR.

Cash paid Benjamin O. Honors, .	
Treasurer to Feb. 1, 1907	\$531 09
Cash paid Benjamin O. Honors,	
Treasurer, February 1, to March 1,	
1907	647 99
Abatements by Assessors	146 46
To be collected	76 81
	<u>\$1,402 35</u>

Sewer Department Assessments.

DR.

Frontage and area assesements, balance March	
1, 1906	\$4,195 91
New assessments	50 00
Interest collected	108 80
	<u>\$4,254 71</u>

CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer	\$839 74
Balance to be collected	3,414 97
	<u>\$4,254 71</u>

DR.

Particular sewer and drain assessments, balance

March 1, 1906	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,076 68
New assessments	.	.	.	.	.	.	330 12
Interest collected	.	.	.	.	.	.	144 05
							<u>\$2,550 85</u>

CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,020 20
Balance to be collected	530 65
							<u>\$2,550 85</u>

Water Receipts.

DR.

Water bills rendered to Feb. 1, 1907	<u>\$24,956 17</u>
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CR.

Cash received	\$24,108 01
Rebates	260 48
Shut offs	253 69
Uncollected from Sewer Department	320 00
Uncollected fractional bills	.	.	.	.	.	.	13 99
							<u>\$24,956 17</u>

Summary of Selectmen's Orders, Paid by Treasurer for 1906-7.

Selectmen's department	\$119,200	89
Water department	23,292	77
Sewer department	20,375	22
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						\$162,868	88
Outstanding orders, 1906-7	100	75
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Total amount of orders drawn, 1906-7	\$162,969	<u><u>63</u></u>

Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer,

DR.

To Balance in treasury, February 2, 1906	\$18,512 24
Cemetery Department, receipts	200 00
Concrete and curbstone reimbursements	1,166 46
Continuous sidewalks	244 92
Corporation tax received from State :	
Balance, 1905	577 04
Tax of 1906	14,000 33
Fire Department, receipts	1,198 30
Highway Department, receipts	872 36
Interest on Treasurer's deposits	457 03
Library Department, dog tax and receipts	562 40
National Bank tax	1,776 28
Park Department, receipts	264 76
Permanent Improvement loan :	
Commonwealth of Mass.	15,000 00
Police Department, receipts	1,051 48
Poor Department, receipts	515 60
School Department, receipts	71 83
Selectmen's Department, receipts	257 50
State Aid Chapter 372	96 00
State Aid, Chapter 374	2,954 00
Street railway tax	839 99
Street watering	49 50
Taxes 1905-6, George T. Till, collector	531 09
Taxes 1906-7, George T. Till, collector	114,688 30
Temporary loan	75,000 00
Town Hall Department, receipts	249 00
Soldiers' Relief reimbursements	70 00
Temporary loan, (By special town meeting)	11,000 00
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	262,206 41

In Account Current with Town of Swampscott.

CR.

By County Tax, 1906	\$11,649 03
Commonwealth of Massachusetts—	
Cost of maintaining Nantasket	199 35
Cost of maintaining parks	2,034 25
Interest on sinking fund service	294 93
Metropolitan park loan	1,787 92
Metropolitan park sinking fund	103 24
Park loan sinking fund	665 39
Nantasket park loan	160 27
Repairs on State highway	74 50
Wellington bridge sinking fund	8 06
Wellington bridge sinking fund interest	64 97
Wellington bridge maintenance	22 96
Interest on notes payable	6,588 58
Notes paid	10,000 00
Temporary loans	75,000 00
Selectmen's Department—	
Paid outstanding orders	683 21
Paid orders	119,200 89
Sewer bond, interest	8,027 00
Sewer bonds	4,600 00
State tax	10,675 00
Sewer maintenance, vote of town 1905-6	7,000 00
Balance in treasury	3,366 86

\$262,206 41

Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer,**DR.**

To Balance in treasury, Feb. 2, 1906	\$5,106 49
Interest on treasurer's deposits	50 02
Land rent	327 00
Sign rent	49 50
Old iron	11 00
Iron pipe	21 71
One horse	200 00
Summonses	4 35
Service receipts	797 09
Water receipts	24,108 01
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	\$30,675 17

Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer,**DR.**

To Balance in treasury, February 2, 1906	\$16,750 16
Interest on deposits	253 31
Sewer assessments,	839 74
Sewer receipts	214 69
Vote of town, 1905-6	7,000 00
Particular sewer assessments	2,020 20
Particular sewer receipts	298 08
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	\$27,376 18

Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer, .**DR.**

To Town balance	\$3,366 86
Water balance	3,515 50
Sewer balance	6,579 79
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	\$13,462 15

In Acct. with Town of Swampscott, Water Dept.

CR.

By Commissioners' orders :

Outstanding orders, 1906	\$34 40
Paid orders, 1906-7	23,292 77
Interest on water bonds	3,832 50
Balance in treasury	3,515 50

\$30,675 17
In Acct. with Town of Swampscott, Sewer Dept.

CR.

By Commissioners' orders :

Outstanding orders, 1905-6	\$421 17
Paid orders, 1906-7	20,375 22
Balance in treasury	6,579 79

\$27,376 18
Summary.

CR.

By Bank balance, certified by cashiers' certificates and
cash on hand

\$13,462 15

\$13,462 15

Financial Standing of the Town of Swampscott February 1, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Balance in Treasury (Town)	\$3,366 86
Balance in Treasury (Water)	3,515 50
Balance in Treasury (Sewer)	6,579 79
*Due for Taxes	7,892 39
Due from Concrete and Curbstones,	243 09
Due from Continuous Sidewalks	673 21
Due from Highway Department	19 50
Due from Police Department	49 50
Due from Poor Department	758 29
Due from State Aid, Chapter 372	80 00
Due from State Aid Chapter 374	3,426 00
Due from Sewer Assessments	3,414 97
Due from Particular Sewer Assess- ments	530 65
Due from Water Commissioners, Sinking Fund	29,936 36
Schedule of Public Property	381,622 90
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	\$442,109 01

* Collected during February, 1907, \$4,997.86.

LIABILITIES.

NOTES PAYABLE.

Due in 1907	\$22,000 00	
Due in 1908	11,100 00	✓
Due in 1909	11,000 00	✓
Due in 1910	10,870 00	—
Due in 1911	9,500 00	—
Due in 1912	12,550 00	—
Due in 1913	11,000 00	
Due in 1914	14,000 00	
Due in 1915	11,000 00	
Due in 1916	14,800 00	
Due yearly, }	\$3,300 00	
1915 to 1924 }		
Due in 1924	33,000 00	
Due in 1924	6,500 00	
Due on Sewer Bonds	190,600 00	
Water Bonds due 1928	140,000 00	
Outstanding orders for 1906-7 :		
Selectmen's Department	100 75	
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	\$498,020 75	
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Notes Payable.

Date of Note.	No.	To whom payable.	Amount	Class.	Time in Yrs.	Rate.	When payable.
July 30, 1897	105	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	\$3,000 00	E	10	3 75-100	July 30, 1907
May 22, 1899	112	Col. Nat. Bank	2,500 00	B	8	3 50-100	May 22, 1907
May 22, 1899	113	Col. Nat. Bank	2,500 00	B	9	3 50-100	May 22, 1908
Aug. 5, 1899	115	State of Mass.	2,800 00	C	9	3 15-100	Aug. 5, 1908
Nov. 29, 1899	116	State of Mass.	3,000 00	D		3 50-100	Nov. 29, 1908
Nov. 29, 1899	117	State of Mass.	3,000 00	D	10	3 50-100	Nov. 29, 1909
June 30, 1900	120	State of Mass.	4,300 00	D	10	3 17-100	June 30, 1910
Sept. 9, 1901	125	State of Mass.	3,000 00	D	6	3 30-100	Sept. 9, 1907
Sept. 9, 1901	126	State of Mass.	6,000 00	D	8	3 30-100	Sept. 9, 1909
May 19, 1902	129	State of Mass.	3,570 00	D	8	3 25-100	May 19, 1910
May 19, 1902	130	State of Mass.	7,500 00	D	9	3 25-100	May 19, 1911
Nov. 29, 1902	136	Col. Nat. Bank	3,100 00	D	10	3 40-100	Nov. 29, 1912
Aug. 24, 1903	139	Col. Nat. Bank	1,000 00	D	7	4	Aug. 24, 1910
Aug. 24, 1903	140	Col. Nat. Bank	1,000 00	D	7	4	Aug. 24, 1910
Aug. 25, 1903	141	Col. Nat. Bank	1,000 00	D	7	4	Aug. 24, 1910
July 1, 1903	1-2	Col. Nat. Bank	2,000 00	D	8	4	July 1, 1911
July 1, 1903	3-8	Col. Nat. Bank	6,000 00	D	9	4	July 1, 1912
July 1, 1903	9-18	Col. Nat. Bank	10,000 00	D	10	4	July 1, 1913
May 25, 1904	146	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	6,500 00	G	20	3 60-100	May 25, 1924
May 25, 1904	147	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	3,450 00	D	8	3 75-100	May 25, 1912
May 25, 1904	148	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	14,000 00	D	10	3 75-100	May 25, 1914
May 25, 1904	149	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,300 00	A	4	3 75-100	May 25, 1908
May 22, 1905	151	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,500 00	D	2	3 50-100	May 22, 1907
May 22, 1905	152	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,500 00	D	3	3 50-100	May 22, 1908
May 22, 1905	153	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,000 00	D	4	3 50-100	May 22, 1909
May 22, 1905	154	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	11,000 00	D	10	3 50-100	May 22, 1915
May 22, 1905	155	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	10	3 50-100	July 15, 1915
July 15, 1905	156	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	10	3 50-100	July 15, 1916
July 15, 1905	157	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	11	3 50-100	July 15, 1917
July 15, 1905	158	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	12	3 50-100	July 15, 1918
July 15, 1905	159	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	13	3 50-100	July 15, 1918
July 15, 1905	160	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	14	3 50-100	July 15, 1919
July 15, 1905	161	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	15	3 50-100	July 15, 1920
July 15, 1905	162	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	16	3 50-100	July 15, 1921
July 15, 1905	163	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	17	3 50-100	July 15, 1922
July 15, 1905	164	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	H	18	3 50 100	July 15, 1923
July 15, 1905	165	Com. of Mass.	2,800 00	I	19	3-50 100	July 15, 1924
Nov. 19, 1909	170	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	D	1	4	Nov. 19, 1907
Nov. 19, 1906	171	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	D	3	4	Nov. 19, 1909
Nov. 19, 1906	172	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	D	7	4	Nov. 19, 1913
Nov. 19, 1906	173	Com. of Mass.	12,000 00	D	10	4	Nov. 19, 1916
Dec. 20, 1906	174	Nat. Sec. Bank	11,000 00	J	5 mos.	5 50-100	June 20, 1907

A. Marshall Drain Loan.

B. Park Loan.

C. Sewer Loan.

D. Permanent Improvement Loan.

E. Proctor Lot Loan.

F. Chemical Laboratory Loan.

G. Playground Loan.

H. Clarke School Loan.

I. Morris Land Loan.

J. Temporary Loan.

Statistics of the Town of Swampscott, 1870=1907.

ASSESSORS' VALUATION MAY 1.					MARCH 1.	
YEAR.	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	TOTAL VALUATION	RATE TAXES PER \$1,000	YEAR.	NOTES PAYABLE
1906	\$6,303,625	\$2,093,820	\$8,397,445	\$14.50	1907	\$167,320.00
1905	6,030,185	2,117,442	8,147,627	14.50	1906	151,320.00
1904	5,489,121	2,206,172	7,695,293	12.90	1905	110,020.00
1903	5,135,124	4,286,981	9,422,105	11.50	1904	114,770.00
1902	4,762,665	1,744,874	6,507,539	12.00	1903	75,270.00
1901	4,668,985	1,598,745	6,267,730	12.00	1902	70,600.00
1900	4,446,900	1,138,275	5,585,175	11.00	1901	68,100.00
1899	4,200,175	1,199,045	5,399,220	11.50	1900	64,300.00
1898	4,135,582	1,318,591	5,454,173	14.00	1899	59,000.00
1897	3,997,975	1,304,163	5,302,138	12.00	1898	71,000.00
1896	3,896,059	1,245,245	5,141,304	12.00	1897	78,250.00
1895	3,756,900	1,444,947	5,201,847	12.00	1896	84,500.00
1894	3,619,525	1,529,675	5,149,200	11.00	1895	66,333.30
1893	3,439,975	1,649,953	5,089,928	11.00	1894	71,166.66
1892	3,271,279	1,504,170	4,775,449	10.00	1893	37,499.99
1891	3,122,350	1,771,373	4,893,723	10.00	1892	42,333.32
1890	3,001,550	1,857,777	4,859,327	10.00	1891	48,666.66
1889	2,585,431	1,453,301	4,038,732	8.40	1890	52,500.00
1888	2,465,256	1,501,530	3,966,792	8.50	1889	56,000.00
1887	2,417,556	1,288,498	3,706,054	8.00	1888	57,500.00
1886	2,383,055	1,275,405	3,658,460	9.50	1887	55,500.00
1885	2,365,280	1,130,863	3,496,143	9.00	1886	47,500.00
1884	2,371,610	1,135,215	3,506,825	11.00	1885	49,000.00
1883	2,259,855	1,589,566	3,849,411	8.50	1884	50,500.00
1882	2,228,330	1,264,938	3,493,268	6.00	1883	49,000.00
1881	2,121,080	807,159	2,928,239	7.20	1882	30,500.00
1880	1,991,880	1,133,247	3,125,127	7.00	1881	31,750.00
1879	1,930,205	418,904	2,349,109	8.30	1880	39,424.80
1878	2,049,980	384,841	2,434,821	8.00	1879	42,424.00
1877	2,041,935	340,323	2,382,258	8.50	1878	42,424.80
1876	2,108,462	360,961	2,469,423	12.00	1877	45,524.80
1875	2,074,850	389,441	2,464,291	10.00	1876	50,224.80
1874	2,028,875	457,260	2,486,135	11.00	1875	51,432.80
1873	1,949,225	460,867	2,410,792	12.00	1874	50,342.50
1872	1,854,750	578,000	2,432,750	9.50	1873	47,068.00
1871	1,598,800	504,073	2,102,873	9.50	1872	43,150.00
1870	1,332,570	508,564	1,843,134	10.00	1871	38,745.00

Assessors' Valuation of the Town of Swampscott, May 1, 1906.

TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY AND TAXES AS ASSESSED MAY 1, 1906.

Number of residents assessed on property . . .	855	
Number of firms, corporations, etc.	26	
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Number of non-residents assessed on property . . .	324	
Number of non-resident firms, corporations, etc., . . .	18	
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Number of persons assessed on property	1,179	
Number of persons assessed poll tax only	1,024	
	<hr/>	2,203
Number of male polls assessed		1,453
Tax on each male poll		\$2 00
Value of assessed personal estate		\$2,093,820 00
Value of assessed real estate—		
Buildings, excluding land, \$3,481,935 00		
Land, excluding buildings, 2,821,690 00		
	<hr/>	6,303,625 00
Total valuation of assessed estate		<hr/>
May 1, 1906		\$8,397,445 00
Tax for state, county and city or town purposes, including over- laying—		
On personal estate	\$30,360 52	
On real estate	91,402 72	
On polls	2,906 00	
Total	<hr/>	\$124,669 24
Rate of total tax per \$1,000		\$14 50
Number of horses assessed		311
Number of cows assessed		65
Number neat cattle other than cows		1
Number dwelling-houses assessed		1,198
Number of acres of land assessed		1,675

Auditors' Remarks.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

Herewith is submitted the fifty-fifth Annual Report of the Town, for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1907.

We have carefully audited the accounts of the different departments and find them correct.

At the close of each quarter the Treasurer's accounts have been examined and bank cashiers' certificates produced and examined showing correct balances for each quarter.

The Water Board Sinking Fund has been examined, the bonds checked up and a correct balance found.

The various items of receipts appear both in the tabulations of departments and in the account of the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

STUART P. ELLIS,
HARRY E. CAHOON.
NATHANIEL F. BARTLETT,

Board of Auditors.

Town Warrant, 1907.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in
Said County,* **GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday, the eighteenth day of March, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a temporary Moderator to serve until the Moderator elected on the official ballot qualifies.

ART. 2. To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

ART. 3. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a Board of Selectmen for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

To choose a Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the School Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for the year ensuing.

To choose one Overseer of the Poor for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose a Surveyor of Highways for the year ensuing.

To choose three Constables for the year ensuing.

To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a Water Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a Sewer Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a Tree Warden for the year ensuing.

All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 4. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?

ART. 5. To hear and act upon the reports of the Auditing Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of Cemetery, the Board of Health, the Chief of Police, the Milk Inspector, the Committee on Street Lights, the Water Commissioners, the Surveyor of Highways, the Inspector of Cattle, Provisions, etc., the Park Commissioners, the Sewer Commissioners, the Tree Warden, the Board of Assessors and the Overseers of the Poor.

ART. 6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will accept the list of names for Jurors, as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 10. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes, and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) to be placed in the hands of James L. Bates Post, 118, G. A. R., toward defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

ART. 13. To see what rate of interest the Town will charge on taxes not paid before November 1, of the year in which they are assessed.

ART. 14. To see what action the town will take in determining how money shall be raised to pay for permanent improvements.

ART. 15. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Water Commissioners the present year.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to pay the claim of Amos O. Cahoon, as authorized by the Act of the Legislature of 1906, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Amos O. Cahoon and others.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will appeal or amend Chapter I, Section 4; Chapter II, Section 5; Chapter III, Sections 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11; Chapter IV; Chapter V; and Chapter VI, Sections 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 17, of the new By-Laws, as petitioned for by Martin E. Nies and others.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will locate a Fire Alarm Box near the junction of Walker and Outlook Roads, or at some point which the Chief of the Fire Department may elect, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by W. W. Bemis and others.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will locate a Fire Alarm Box at the junction of Beach and Mountain avenues, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by C. S. Haskell and others.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will install a Fire Alarm Signal in the Tower at the Engine House, Phillips Beach, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by George Barker and others.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to do anything in relation to the Stacy Brook Outlet, as requested by the Selectmen.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer in that portion of Orient Court which has been accepted as a Town Way, as petitioned for by Stuart P. Ellis and others.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of five members, to bring in a list of salaries for Town Officials for the ensuing year, as petitioned for by Edwin G. Spaulding and others.

ART. 24. To see what action the town will take to the end that the streets to be watered by contract, as petitioned for by Oscar G. Poor and others.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to put the Police Force under the provisions of the Civil Service Laws as provided in Chapter XIX, Section 37 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, and accept the provisions of said Section 37 of Chapter 19 of the Revised Laws, in so far as they relate

to the Police Force, as petitioned for by P. F. Munsey and others.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400) for the improvement of Redington Street Extension, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by James L. Taylor and others.

ART. 27. To see if the the Town will macadamize Atlantic avenue from Humphrey street to Marblehead line, and appropriate the sum of forty-five hundred dollars (\$4,500) for the same as petitioned for by F. H. Gage and others.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be expended in grading and repairing Essex street, as petitioned for by William R. Patten and others.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will increase the salary of the Surveyor of Highways, five dollars (\$5) per week, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by William F. Gannon and others.

ART. 30. To see if the Town will vote to increase the rate of wages now paid all Town laborers, by twenty-five cents (\$.25) per day, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by William F. Gannon and others.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will vote to regrade the lines on that portion of Burrill street north of Maple avenue to Columbia avenue, a distance of about three hundred (300) feet, to allow the water flowing down Burrill street from Essex to pass by Maple avenue, as petitioned for by Oscar G. Poor and others.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to issue the remaining ten thousand

dollars (\$10,000) in bonds, allowed by law at such times as in their judgment the needs of the Department demand it, as petitioned for by William H. Bates and others.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) for heat, light and repairs on the Pine Street School Building, said building being under the care and occupied by the General Bates Post 118, G. A. R., as petitioned for by John R. Merritt and others.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will accept a portion of Orient street as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 35. To see if the town will grant a Saturday half holiday with pay to the employees of the Highway, Sewer, Water and Health Departments, during the months of June, July, August and September, as petitioned for by Martin E. Nies and others.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for moth work, as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ART. 37. To appoint a Committee on Ways and Means in accordance with Chapter V., Section 1, of the revised By-Laws.

The polls to be closed at sunset.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fourth day of March, in the year
Nineteen Hundred and Seven.

ALLEN H. COLE,
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,
JOHN R. MERRITT,
Selectmen of Swampscott.

A true copy. Attest,

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

